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BRITAIN WILL AGREE TO OIL EMBARGO IF PEACE EFFORT FAILS



This new picture of Crown Prince Michael, aged 15, of Rumania and his mother, Princess Helen, shows how fast the princeling is growing into manhood. They are shown at Kloster, Switzerland.

NEW NAVAL TREATY?

ANGLO-SOVIET AGREEMENT

Sequel To German Uneasiness

RUSSIAN OBJECTION NOT ANTICIPATED

London, To-day. Britain will shortly approach the Soviets with a suggestion for negotiations for an Anglo-Soviet qualitative naval agreement. An undertaking on this question was given to Germany, who formally agreed to negotiate an Anglo-German naval treaty, but expressed reluctance to tie her hands unless some limit were placed on Soviet naval construction.

Britain kept the Soviets informed of the progress throughout the Naval Conference, and does not anticipate a Soviet objection to the negotiation of a treaty. — Reuter.

Agreement Pending

Later: In conveying Germany's willingness to negotiate an Anglo-German qualitative naval treaty, the German diplomatic spokesman requested that a similar arrangement be made with Russia. Britain is agreeable thereto and is expected to approach the Soviets shortly with a view to an Anglo-Soviet naval agreement. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

PAPAL COURT

Oriental Nominated To Post

Vatican City, To-day. Mr. Lo Pa-hong, a Shanghai business man, has been appointed Chamberlain of the Sword and Cloak by His Holiness the Pope. He is the first Oriental nominated to a post in the Papal Court. — Reuter.

LIFTMEN STRIKE IN NEW YORK

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MAROONED

STATE OF EMERGENCY PROCLAIMED

New York, To-day.

Thousands of citizens were marooned in skyscrapers or faced the ascent or descent of endless stairways yesterday, as the result of a strike of liftmen for better pay. The whole of Manhattan, Wall Street and the congested midtown section were affected, but the Empire State building, where the lift staff are under private control, and the Radio City building were not involved.

Mayor LaGuardia proclaimed a state of emergency and called on all citizens to co-operate with the city officials in maintaining the public health and protecting life. He announced that the city would take over the operation of lifts in all residential buildings of over six storeys high, and he was also calling a meeting of the union officials and representatives of the owners to try to end the strike, in which the union claim that 30,000 people are participating.

AERIAL DEFENCE OF KWANGTUNG

Government Servants Must Contribute

NO PROVISION MADE IN SERVICE ESTIMATES

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day. Apart from some \$3,800,000 monthly revenue for maintaining the fighting services, landlords, civil servants of all ranks and teachers of Government schools are required to contribute for the "national" and aerial defence of Kwangtung.

CHINA TO ENFORCE CONSCRIPTION

Nanking, To-day. The Government announces that military conscription is being enforced immediately throughout the country, providing for two years' training for all able-bodied persons between the ages of 18 and 45. — Reuter.

It was learned to-day that those in the pay of the Government, including professors in Government universities, have to contribute for another period of six months a portion of their salaries for "national defence." The tax ranges from one to 10 per cent of the salaries. The first collection began on September 1 and ended on February 29. The prolongation of the tax will last until the end of August, it is understood. The South-west Political Council is likely to make a formal decision to-day on the continuation of this tax.

Landlords of houses and wharves will give one month's rent for the aerial defence of Canton. It appears that the existing appropriations for the three services have no provision for air defence; hence an additional levy is necessary.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone has extended eastward and south-eastward and now covers China, Japan, the Loochoos and the Bonins. Pressure is highest to the north-west of Shantung, and relatively low over Indo-China. North-east winds; fresh; cloudy, some drizzle or mist, improving, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

The police have taken extraordinary measures to prevent disorder. So far there have been 23 arrests. — Reuter.

MR. HIROTA'S 3 POINTS

Has Nanking Agreed To Accept Them?

CANTON'S ENQUIRY REMAINS UNANSWERED

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day. Canton's query whether the National Government has accepted the three-point programme of Mr. K. Hirota, Japanese Foreign Minister, remained unanswered up to last evening, according to Mr. Chou Lou, leading member of the South-west Political Council, in an exclusive interview.

There is some speculation in political circles here as to why the South-west telegram has not been answered by the Nanking authorities, although the Ministry of Foreign Affairs once denied the acceptance of Mr. Hirota's three points, which are:

- (1) China's recognition of Manchukuo.
- (2) Economic alliance between China, Japan and Manchukuo.
- (3) Sino-Japanese alliance in suppressing the Communists.

BUDGET SURPLUS IN NIGERIA

Air Facilities To Be Provided

Rabba (Nigeria), To-day. The budget for the year has been laid before the Legislative Council, in which it is stated that the surplus up to March 31 will amount to £281,000. The revenue this year is expected to improve, leaving a surplus of over £500,000. The departmental estimates include £165,000 for an aerodrome. The Government said that air mail services would be inaugurated and landing grounds prepared in the near future. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TENNESSEE VALLEY CASE NOT TO BE RE-HEARD

Washington, To-day. — The Supreme Court has denied a rehearing of the Tennessee Valley Authority case. — Reuter.



John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, sounded the keynote at the miner's convention in Washington by unequivocally supporting President Roosevelt.

RUXTON MURDER TRIAL

BRITISH EMBASSY AT PEIPING

Question Of Removal Being Considered

London, To-day. In the House of Commons yesterday, replying to Mr. A. E. L. Chorlton (C. Bury), Lord Cranborne, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that the question of the removal of the Embassy from Peiping is under consideration. An announcement is being made as soon as possible. — Reuter.

TRAGEDY IN CANADA

C.P.R. ENGINE DERAILED

Fifteen Reported Killed

WORST DISASTER IN 30 YEARS

Vancouver, To-day. Thirteen people were killed and 7 injured yesterday in the worst accident on the Canadian Pacific Railway for 30 years.

A locomotive was derailed 30 miles from Revelstoke owing to a snowslide. As a repair gang was trying to replace it the tender rolled into the men, crushing them against the engine.

Winnipeg, Later: The death toll in the train disaster is now 15, including four Japanese workmen. Seven people were injured and one is missing. — Reuter.

DEPRESSED AREAS

LABOUR CENSURE MOTION LOST

London, To-day. In the House of Commons yesterday a Labour motion of censure moved by Dr. Hugh Dalton (Bishop Auckland), expressing disappointment at the Government's handling of the problem of the distressed areas, was defeated by 357 votes to 175.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald intimated that the Government proposed to place important orders for plant for new industries within the depressed areas in the course of the execution of its rearmament schemes. — Reuter.

GRUESOME DETAILS

Dismemberment Of Bodies

COUNSEL FOR CROWN SPEAKS FOR FOUR HOURS

London, To-day. Sickening details of the discovery of the mutilated bodies of two women in a ravine at Moffat were given by Mr. Jackson, K.C., leading Counsel for the Crown, in the course of his opening speech at the Ruxton trial.

He said that the dismemberment was done by someone with medical knowledge and surgical skill. He pointed out that the accused, Dr. Buck Ruxton, was a Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Science, and suggested that early one Sunday Ruxton murdered the women on the landing outside his bedroom, dismembered the bodies in the bathroom, removed all identification marks and cut them up and drained away the blood.

NEWSPAPER CLUE. The portions, when found in the ravine, were wrapped in a special edition of a newspaper, of which less than 4,000 copies were issued in the Lancaster district, and of (Continued on Page 12)

WORKING HOURS REDUCED

New Legislation In New Zealand

Wellington, To-day. An agreement between the Ministry of Public Works and the workers has been signed, whereby they have agreed to a 40-hour week instead of one of 47 hours, and workers on holiday will be on full pay. Wages will be the same for married and single workers and there will be no difference in wages between Maoris and Europeans.

The Ministry stated that the agreement was of a new kind and they hoped it would be an example to the world. It does not mean that less work will be done by the shorter hours agreed upon. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LORD READING LEAVES \$290,487

London, To-day. — The will of the late Lord Reading shows a gross value of £290,487. The estate duties amount to £75,610. — British Wireless Service.

MR. EDEN CLARIFIES SITUATION

LEAD FOLLOWED BY ALL MAJOR COUNTRIES

GREATEST DAY IN LEAGUE HISTORY

Geneva, To-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden yesterday told the Committee of Eighteen that the British Government favoured the application of oil sanctions, if the other nations agreed. He said that the British Government was prepared to accept any decision to which the Committee might come, but having considered the experts' report, favoured the imposition of an oil embargo and was prepared to join in the early application thereof if the other principal supplying and transporting States who were members of the League were prepared to do likewise.

M. Flandin had suggested that the Committee of Thirteen should meet to-day to examine the situation and especially to see whether there was a possibility of bringing the hostilities to an end by conciliation within the framework of the Covenant. Mr. Eden was prepared to agree to such a course, but insisted that there should be no undue delay.

It is expected that the French proposals will mean a delay of only 48 hours and that a decision with regard to oil sanctions will be reached to-morrow. — Reuter.

Geneva, later: Mr. Eden's sensational declaration had an electrical effect in the lobby. The Italian journalists were almost incredulous, but the general feeling was the belief that Britain had taken the lead. American circles were enthusiastic and a prominent American representative declared that it was "the greatest day in the history of the League."

Britain's lead was supported by all the principal oil-producing countries, but M. Flandin is no more anxious to force a crisis with Italy than M. Laval.

ROME CABINET MEETING. Rome: The decision to call a meeting of the Committee of Thirteen at Geneva for a final attempt at conciliation is favourably received. It is felt that it means that M. Flandin resisted Mr. Eden's sanctionist tendencies. The Cabinet will meet to-day. (Continued on Page 9)

POLITICS IN BRITAIN

Lord Stonehaven's Resignation

London, To-day. Lord Stonehaven has resigned the Chairmanship of the Conservative Party. No explanation has so far been offered.

The Cabinet last evening finally approved the defence White Paper. — Reuter. Later: Mr. Stanley Baldwin has appointed Captain Rt. Hon. Douglas Hacking, Member of Parliament for Chorley, to the Chairmanship of the Conservative Party organisation, in place of Lord Stonehaven.

In a letter to Mr. Baldwin Lord Stonehaven states that the responsibilities of the post are making it increasingly difficult for him to devote to it the time which it demands. — Reuter.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Lt. Collingwood Ravenhill, R.A., Royal Artillery, Mess, Kowloon, and Miss Violet Spinks, Bowen Road, Hong Kong.

NEGUS SEEKING PEACE?

Offer Transmitted To Mr. Eden

"DAILY MAIL" REPORT

London, To-day.

There is good reason to believe that a most important message from the Emperor of Abyssinia was received in London yesterday and transmitted to Mr. Anthony Eden at Geneva, states Mr. Ward Price in a Daily Mail message. It indicates that the Emperor is prepared to discuss peace terms on the basis of the status quo, namely, Italy retaining the portions of Abyssinia she has occupied, provided that the King of England will act as intermediary between Italy and Abyssinia.

It is expected that Signor Mussolini will reply to the overture to-day. — Reuter.

ITALIAN STAFF OPTIMISM

Decisive Encounter With Negus?

ANXIETY IN CAPITAL

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Rome, Yesterday. Official War Bulletin No. 143, issued yesterday, confirms the official announcement that a second victory in the Tembien district took place, adding that the Italian losses are not worth mentioning, but will be announced later. Signor Mussolini addressed a telegram of congratulations to Marshal Badoglio, affirming that the victory was due to his genius and the admirable courage of the Eritrean troops.

IMPORTANT VICTORY. Asmara: In the Italian headquarters, Marshal Badoglio's victory is considered as of vital importance and as the beginning of the end of Ethiopia. In view of the more or less hopeless position of the second Tembien Army under Ras Seyoum, it is pointed out that there are now only two organised fighting units capable (Continued on Page 12)

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Ranchi (via Suez) Mar. 5

FROM SHANGHAI

Philoctetes Mar. 3
Rawalpindi " 6
Pres. Jefferson " 6
Gen. Pershing " 6
Lion " 8
Antenor " 12
Emp. of Asia " 12
Pres. Coolidge " 12

FROM U.S.A.

Pick. Jefferson Mar. 6
Emp. of Asia " 12
Pres. Coolidge " 12

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Taina Mar. 3
Aechilles " 9
Terukuni Maru " 10

FROM JAPAN

Africa Maru Mar. 5
Pres. Jefferson " 6
Rawalpindi " 6
Gen. Pershing " 6
Emp. of Asia " 12
Pres. Coolidge " 12

FROM MANILA

Nankin Mar. 4
Taiping " 6
Scharnhorst " 10
Athos II " 10

FROM AUSTRALIA

Nankin Mar. 4
Taiping " 6

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Asama Maru (via Siberia) Mar. 4
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.
Emp. of Japan (via Vancouver) " 6
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

Ranchi (via Siberia) " 6
Rawalpindi (via Marseilles) " 6
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Athos II (Air Orient Service) " 10
Closes: Reg. 9.30 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Asama Maru Mar. 4
Emp. of Japan " 6
Pres. Doumer " 6

FOR JAPAN

Asama Maru Mar. 4
Emp. of Japan " 6
Pres. Doumer " 6

FOR U.S.A.

Asama Maru Mar. 4
Emp. of Japan " 6
Pres. Doumer " 6

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Philoctetes Mar. 4
Africa Maru " 4
Rawalpindi " 4
Kutsang " 7

Women's Page

CHINESE GOWNS AND FLOWERS

No Hard And Fast Rule

Flowers have become an integral part of Chinese gowning. Many delightful variations may suggest themselves for each and every frock.

They are ideal for wear with evening gowns, and are increasingly evident, not only the dance floor, but also at home parties. They are even invading the daytime with gay unconcern. A bewitching airiness of spirit comes with them, pervading one's whole bearing with a becoming sureness.

There can be no rule about them. They must blossom where they will, or where the mood of the wearer places them. In this delightful uncertainty lies one of their greatest charms. The favourite way of wearing them is in the hair, but even so they refuse to obey set rules, and often wander down to perch on one shoulder, or trail across the front of one's frocks. They may be large, or small. There can be sprays or single flowers. Combinations of different smaller flowers or sprays are worn together. There is no end to the numberless possibilities for their use.

Tempo And Tone

The whole tone of a gown, the tempo of a mood, may be changed. One petite woman was dressed in rich, plain black velvet, with a single narrow satin binding. Rather ordinary black accessories, with but a touch of silver, would have left the gown too plain for evening wear, but for the silver and green flowers sprayed from the left shoulder across the front of the gown. A single green flower, with silver leaves, was set directly across the top of the head, in a tiny flat spray. The touch of green and silver gave the necessary brightness to the costume, and sparkle to the eyes of the clever woman who had conceived this unusual touch.

FOR MANILA

Tjisadate Mar. 3
Tanda " 5
Pres. Pierce " 6
Gen. Pershing " 6
Pres. Jefferson " 6

FOR AUSTRALIA

Tanda Mar. 5

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Smart simplicity is the style secret of this attractive evening gown of chartreuse pebble satin worn by Joe Hodges, screen actress. A slender rhinestone buckle fastens the girdle and an enormous flat bow of the dress fabric is tied at the neck.

FURNITURE CARE IN WINTER

Extra Care Should Be Taken

In winter extra care should be taken to remove dust from furniture so that it does not get into the grain of the wood. A good simple treatment for most woods is to wring out a washleather in warm water to which a little vinegar has been added, and wipe thoroughly; this removes dust and grease and leaves a good surface for polishing where this is necessary.

It is, however, unwise to polish furniture indiscriminately. Highly polished furniture, for instance, should be kept clean with a damp washleather only, and occasional-ly repolished by an experienced french polisher.

Waxed Oak

Waxed and limed oak should be cleaned with a damp leather, too, as their surface has already been specially treated; but natural, unpainted oak should be polished regularly with a good furniture cream, and in time it will take on a rich, warm hue.

Strong, cold sweetened tea is a good cleaner for black oak while ebony is best cleaned with milk and polished up well with a piece of silk. Varnished wood is improved by an occasional rub with linseed oil.

A paste made of olive oil and salt will usually remove white marks left by hot dishes on polished wood. The paste should be rubbed lightly on the spot, left the spot, left there for a time, then wiped off and the wood polished as usual. If this is not successful, little boiled linseed oil should be rubbed on with a circular motion, the mark afterwards being rubbed with spirits of wine.

BOLDLY CHECKED TWEEDS

Used For The Wrap Coat

NIPPED IN AT THE WAIST

English and Scottish tweeds are seen all the time in the dress collections now being shown in Paris. Inconspicuous designs are preferred for coats and skirts; for wrap coats boldly checked materials are used.

Most of the wrap coats are severely tailored and nipped in at the waistline. Some have a box pleat at the back. Others flare slightly towards the hem.

Checked tweed coats are shown with walking frocks in plain materials, as well as with tailored suits. For example, a coat with a large blue, red and beige check accompanies a plain, simply-tailored blue dress.

Most wrap coats are provided with outside expanding pockets. Pockets, too, appear on most of the walking dresses in tweed or light-weight woollen materials, which almost every designer shows for spring. Pockets are placed level with the hips, and many have a single button fastening in the centre.

Short Jackets

Most jackets of tailor-made suits are very short. The most fashionable reach to the hips or only just below. Some have a close-fitting basque, others one that flares outwards like a frill.

Dark sweaters are worn with light suits. Usually the bag, sweater and shoes are the same colour, or the sweater or blouse picks up one of the colours in the suit. A beige and brown tweed suit flecked with pale leaf green has a tailored blouse of pale green jersey fabric.

Almost every blouse or sweater is high to the neck. Some have plain, low military collars; others, cut to the base of the neck at the back, are carried upwards in points to the front of the neck. With a blouse or sweater made with a low neck, a coloured handkerchief or scarf is worn. This is carefully knotted in front or at the back.

CHALLENGE TO PARIS

By Famous London Designer

Mr. Norman Hartnell, the English dress designer (he designed the Duchess of Gloucester's wedding gown and the greater part of her trousseau), together with twelve other designers, has launched a new campaign.

Their idea is to tempt American buyers to spend two or three days in London looking at collections here before they go over to Paris to see the January and July collections.

Last year, only one or two buyers came over to London because, as they pointed out, it was hardly worth while to see only one London collection.

This year, London dress houses, two hat people, and three fabric houses are putting on special shows for American buyers three days before the Paris shows begin.

The clothes will be those which English women will wear this spring.



Olivia De Havilland, Warner Bros. actress, wears a gown that lends youthfulness, knowing their charming effect. Here she wears a bouffant taffeta frock of heavenly blue with puffed sleeves cut in the butterfly panels.

HOW TO FRAME THE CURTAINS

Some Points To Keep In Mind

The way that curtains should be framed nowadays is rather a vexed question, writes a Home correspondent. Some people maintain that curtains made of modern fabrics need no framing at all and that a simple heading left at the top of the curtain is all that is necessary. I suspect that this contention is really due to a dislike of frills rather than to complete satisfaction with curtains left in this raw condition. However ample a heading is left at the top of the curtain, the effect seems to me untidy and unfinished. Usually one is aware of the curtain rod and hooks in spite of the heading which is supposed to hide them. The heading itself droops and clusters in an ungainly fashion, and without any kind of pelmet or frill the top of the window seems unframed and unfinished.

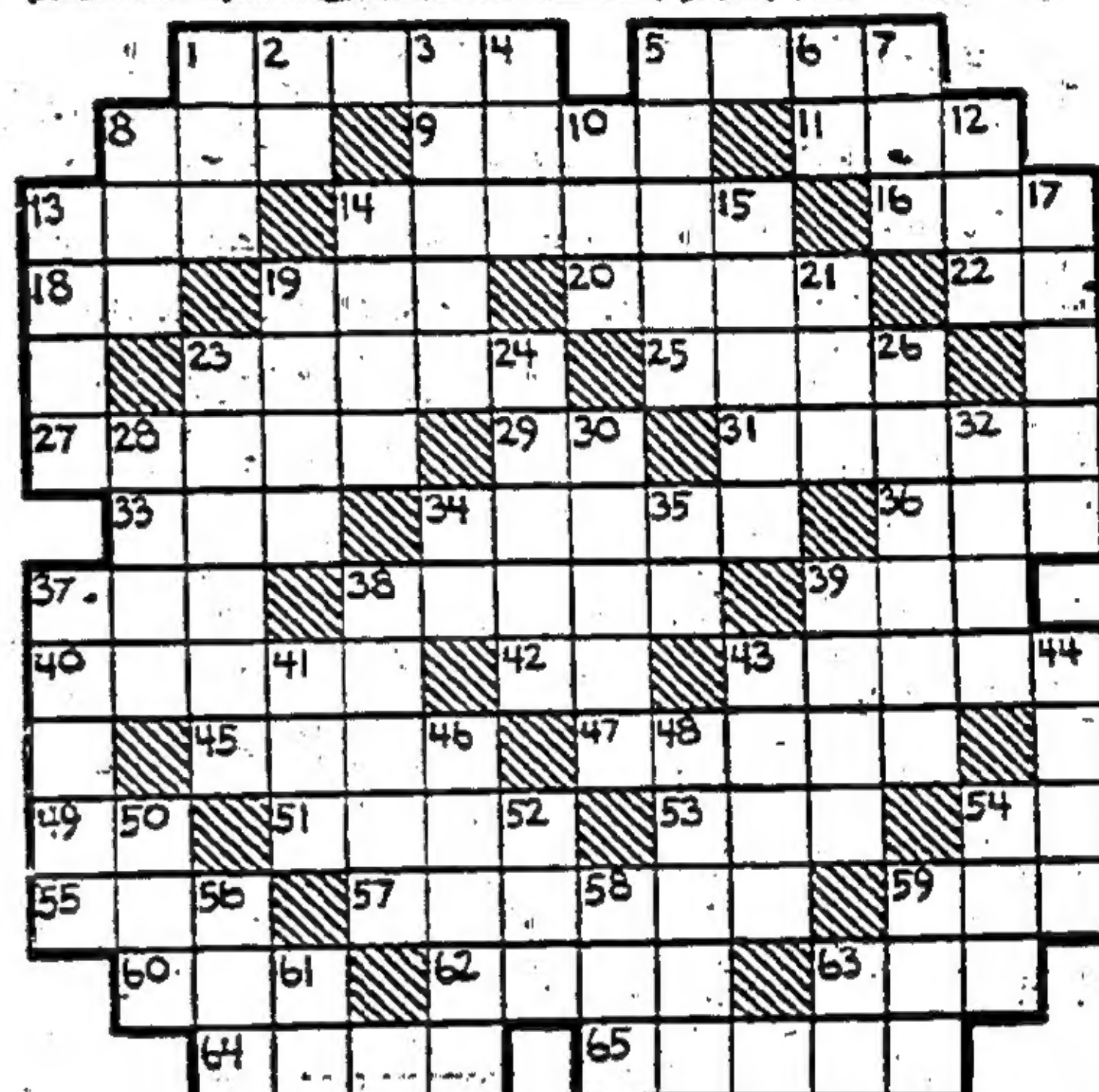
At the same time I sympathise with those who would do away with frills. Frills often do not look in keeping with materials of modern design. And they are a nuisance to deal with, especially if the windows are large. At least half the soot and dust that comes in through the window seems to collect in these frills. The washing of them, with its attendant regathering and refixing of hooks, is a lengthy process, even if the new type of curtain tape is used.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.

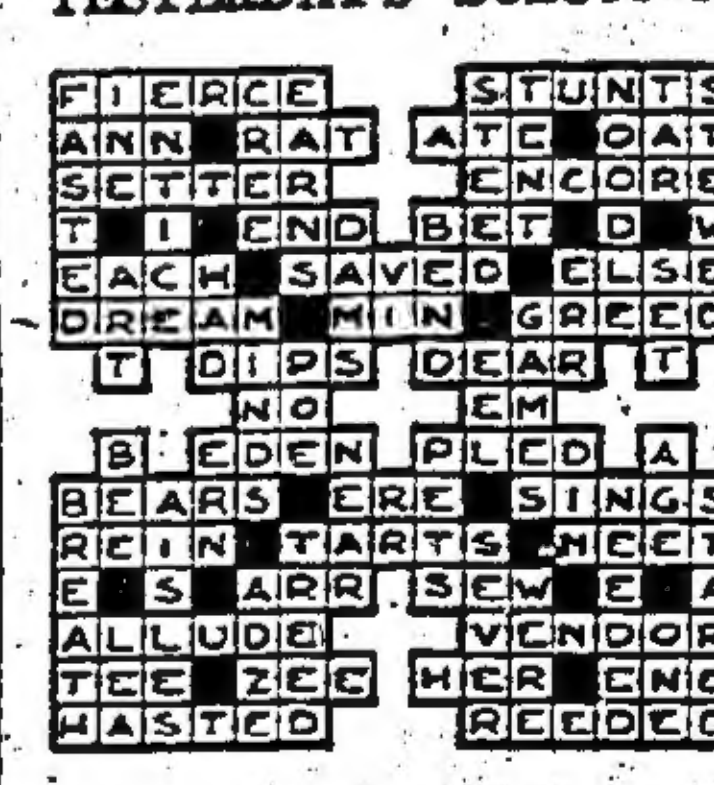


- HORIZONTAL
- Capital of West-Australia
 - Detest
 - Noise
 - Twisted hemp
 - A grain
 - Unfinished timber
 - Withdrew from action
 - Blind
 - Conjunction
 - Greek goddess
 - Tongue of a vehicle
 - Father
 - Fretful
 - College official
 - One of three equal parts
 - One or any
 - Crest
 - Answer (abbr.)
 - Perform
 - Residence (abbr.)
 - Ordnance (abbr.)
 - Wicks
 - A type measure (pl.)
 - Charm
 - Musical note
 - Rub on a harsh surface
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
- Ridge of sand in water
 - Decay
 - Plural suffix
 - Profound
 - Fish eggs
 - Pronoun
 - Male sheep
 - Talked idly
 - Hinder
 - Auto fuel
 - A beverage (pl.)
 - Coal container
 - Revolve
 - Item in one's property
- VERTICAL
- Young hog
 - Half an em
 - Lock of hair
 - Very warm
 - Biblical king
 - Preposition
 - Consume
 - June-bug
 - Seed of corn
 - End
 - Mislead
- VERTICAL (Cont.)
- Land measure
 - Choose
 - Gains
 - Makes a mistake
 - Organ of the body
 - An ember
 - More lucid
 - Natural
 - Musical instrument
 - Back of neck (pl.)
 - The Occident
 - Land (Lat.)
 - Civil service (abbr.)
 - Bundle of willow twigs
 - Slumber
 - Large lake
 - Guided
 - Excellent
 - Equal
 - Wild
 - Iron
 - Dip
 - Chum
 - Human race
 - Deface
 - Chinese plant
 - Seized with the teeth
 - Very
 - To have existence

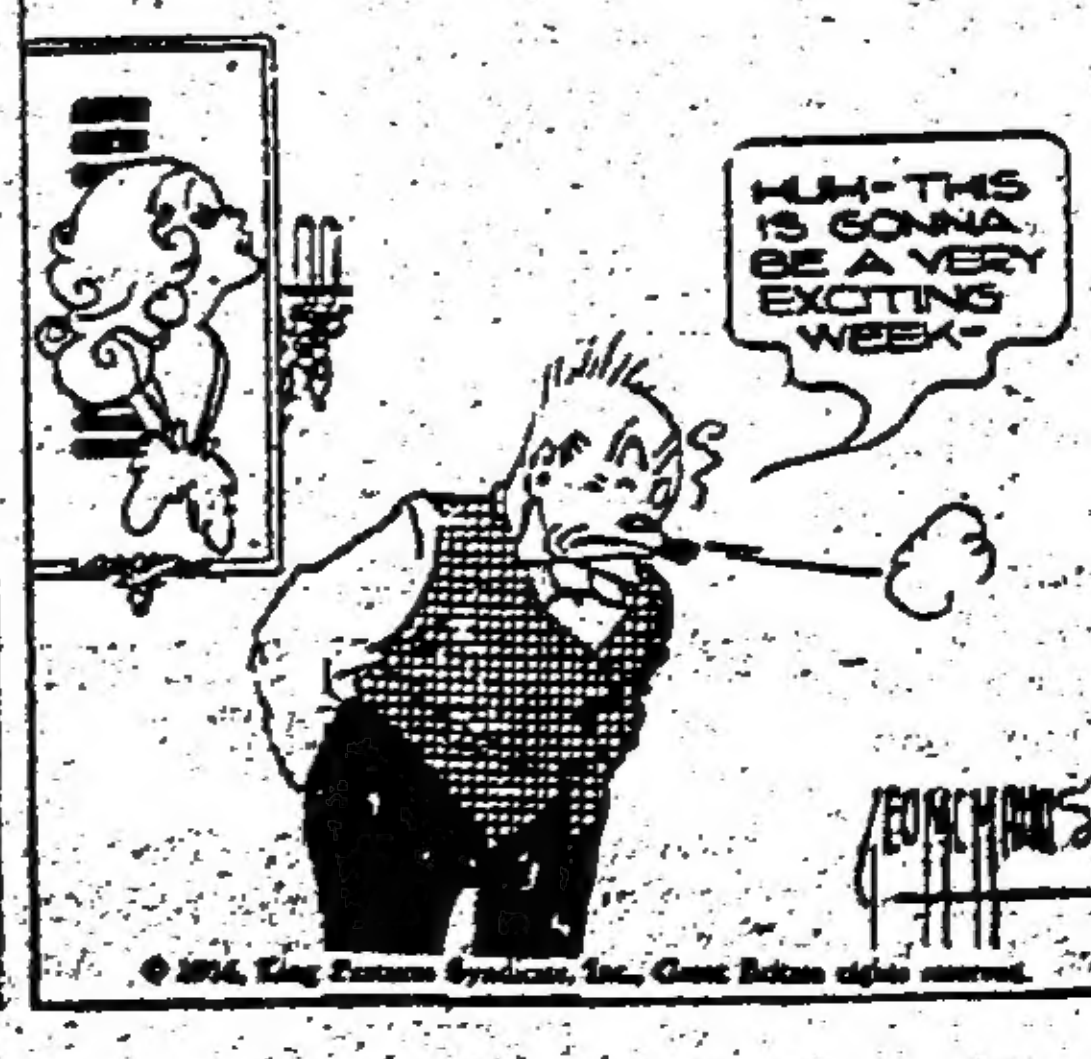
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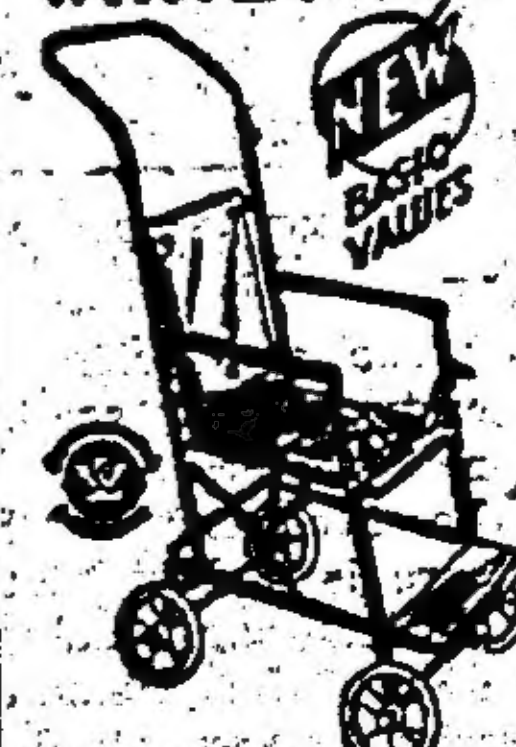


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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936, to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd March to the 12th March 1936, both days inclusive.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1936.

Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central,
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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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Thursday's Concert At Peninsula Hotel

A splendid programme of vocal and instrumental music has been arranged for the concert in aid of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, which is to take place in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday next at 9 p.m.

The Hong Kong Choral Group, under Maestro E. Gualdi, will be heard in several numbers, whilst assisting artists will be Mrs. E. O. Drake (soprano), Miss Prue Lewis (violin), Professor Harry Ore (piano) and Mr. H. Talbot (tenor). Admission will be \$2.50 and \$1.00, and tickets may be obtained at the Anderson Music Company, as well as at the Peninsula Hotel on the night of the concert.

The programme is as follows:

(a) Come la neve al sole

(b) The Silver Swan

(c) Fair Phyllis I Saw

The Choral Group

(a) Gavotte in D Minor

(b) Variations in F. W.A. Mozart

(c) Aria, "Where'er You Walk"

(d) Quando miro quel bel ciglio

(e) Siciliano

(f) Pavana

(g) Tambourin

(h) Rigaudon

(i) Clorinda Faise

(j) April is in My Mistress' Face

(k) Breathe Soft, Ye Winds

(l) The Haven

(m) I Love the Social Dance

(n) Asphodel

(o) Polonaise in A Flat

(p) Suicidio, from "La Gioconda"

(q) Poor Wandering One, from "Pirates of Penance"

(r) Hymn to the Sun

(s) O Signore! from "I Lombardi"

(t) Serenade from "Otello"

(u) The Choral Group

(v) Accompanists: — Mrs. Nura

Kinnis, Prof. Harry Ore and

Maestro E. Gualdi.

BRIDGE NOTES

PSYCHIC NOTRUMPS

By Ely Culbertson

The bluff notrump was the earliest weapon of the primitive stages of the psychic bid. It has been discarded long since by good players because the defence against it—the business double—was too easy and the ensuing run out too revealing.

In to-day's hand this bluff notrump takes a different trend. The East player recognised all the symptoms of this ancient practice and proceeded to put the usual defence into practice. Unfortunately for his side, the North player was courageous enough to stick to his guns.

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H. A. 7
D. A. K. J. 8 6 5 3 2
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S. K. 8 4 3
H. S. 4 3
D. 9
C. K. 10 9 8 6

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W. E. H. K. Q. J. 10 6 2
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S. 10 9 6 2
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D. Q. 10 7 4
C. A. 7 4

The bidding:

East South West North
1H Pass 2C 2NT
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

When North made his bid of two notrump it was not intended entirely as a psychic. If South, for example, could find a raise, three notrump should be easy. East doubled because he recognised that the two notrump bid was based on a long diamond suit. Partner's two club bid had shown strength and his own void in diamonds indicated a possibility that the suit which North considered solid might possibly be stopped by West. Even if it was not, East had no way of telling that North had eight diamonds, and would decide to stand by the double.

Actually, North's decision to gamble it out was not without reason. The club bid had not been supported and if South had three to the Queen and four spades to the ten, there was an excellent chance to make his two notrump contract. Yet, holding these cards, South would have no way of indicating them since they certainly would warrant neither a bid nor a redouble.

North was further influenced by the fact that East had given the problem a little thought before deciding to pass the double. His two club bid, though shaded, was sound in view of distributional values and he too felt it likely that North would rub.

East opened the King of hearts and as the cards lay there was no possible way by which declarer could be held to less than four notrump. And as is generally true of these freak distributional hands, East and West had a lay-down game at four hearts, against which, if they had bid it, it is extremely unlikely that North and South could think of any bid except to save at five diamonds.

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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"ONE EXCITING ADVENTURE"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

This Universal picture stars Nell Hamilton, Paul Cavanagh, Binnie Barnes in the leading roles. The last named portrays the role of the most sensational and unusual adventures to be depicted by the cinema.

The story is that of a fascinating woman who cannot look at a diamond without wanting it. Men mean nothing to her until she meets Nell Hamilton. She also becomes involved with Paul Cavanagh, who plays the part of an accomplished crook. The adventures of these three provide the basis of one of the most interesting yarns that has been on the screen for some time.

Included in the cast are Eugene Paulette, Grant Mitchell, Doris Lloyd and Edna Searle.

"BARBARY COAST"—KING'S THEATRE

Miriam Hopkins, Edward G. Robinson and Joel McCrea enact a strange and violent triangle against the tumultuous background of life on the "Barbary Coast," that notorious Mecca of adventurers from every corner of the globe, in Samuel Goldwyn's colourful production of that title.

Charles MacArthur and Ben Hecht prepared the screenplay of "Barbary Coast." Howard Hawks directed it. The costumes were designed by Omar Kism. Walter Brennan, Frank Craven, Brian Donlevy, Clyde Cook, Harry Carey, Donald Meek and many other popular players appear in support of the stars. "Barbary Coast" is released through United Artists.

"KIND LADY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Bringing Aline MacMahon from her triumph in "Ah Wilderness!" and Basil Rathbone from his successes in "Anna Karanina" and "David Copperfield" together, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents them in this gripping, fascinating detective story written by England's famed novelist, Hugh Walpole.

Dealing with a suave but sinister crook, who through clever engineering insinuates himself into the good graces of a woman who sought to befriend him, it runs the gamut of suspense, drama, mystery and terror, before a young American, aiding Scotland Yard, wrecks the plan of the interloper for a "Perfect Crime."

Among others in the cast are Doris Lloyd, Dudley Digges, Murray Kinnell, Nola Luxford, Frank Reicher, Eddy Malton and other screen players, and Justine Chase and Barbara Shields, in the roles they played on the New York stage.

"BLOSSOM TIME"—STAR THEATRE

The immortal music of the great composer Franz Schubert, the glorious singing of the world's greatest tenor, Richard Tauber, breath-taking and beautiful spectacles, and a tender love story of old Vienna are combined in this sensationally-acclaimed B. I. P. musical production.

That noted director, Paul Stein, and his film unit actually travelled to Vienna to make exterior scenes for the picture, and covered many of the favourite old haunts of Schubert, which have changed but very little since the days of the great composer.

A galaxy of British notables support Tauber in the musical, chief among whom are lovely Jane Baxter and Carl Esmond, who furnish the story's romantic interest. Athene Seyler, Paul Graetz, Edward Chapman, Gibb McLaughlin and scores of others as well.

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

One of the most outstanding comedy teams in the United States appear again before the film public in "A Night at the Opera," after an absence of over a year. Groucho, Chico and Harpo Marx all appear with an entirely new set of gags that have proved to be a riot wherever the picture has been shown. In order to test the risibility of each line and episode a novel method was devised. A stage was erected and an audience collected: then the Marxians went through their antics.



It used to be that U.S. film players went to England for vacations. Now American stars go ahead to work in British films and return to the U.S. for relaxation, as does Fay Wray, shown arriving in New York.

In the wings the producers judged the amount of spontaneous laughter that greeted each joke, and if it was not sufficient that particular part was immediately "cut."

"THE LAST OUTPOST"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Claude Rains, whose presence distinguished such films as "The Invisible Man" and "Crime Without Passion," adds new laurels to his histrionic abilities in Paramount's "The Last Outpost." Cary Grant and Gertrude Michael are the other leads. Out from much the same pattern as "Bengal Lancer," as regards locale, dramatic, punchy action, with the romantic interest slightly subordinated, yet playing an important part in the friendship of two British Officers, "The Last Outpost" succeeds in retaining all the qualities that made "chat" such a memorable photoplay.

OLD FOLKS' DINNER

Old people whose ages totalled 40,000 years ate over half a ton of food at a New Year's dinner at Weymouth.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hon. Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (345 K.C.'s).

Daventry—"Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodgson
Jazz Piano Recital

12.30-2.10 p.m. (Approx.)—European Programme.

12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.

1.40 p.m.—A Relay of the Rotary Club Tiffin Speech from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden—Rotarian C. Champlin on "Managing the Currency."

2.10 p.m. (Approx.)—Close Down.

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.11 p.m.—European Programme.

7.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

Overture "Coriolan," Op. 62 (Beethoven).

Egmont Overture, Op. 84 (Beethoven).

Hungarian Dances (Brahms).

Overture "Light Cavalry" (Suppe).

7.30-8 p.m.—Concert Items.

Violin Solo—

Zigeunerweisen (Sarasate, Op. 20).

Songs—

The Two Grenadiers (Schumann).

Midnight Review (Glinka).

Theodore Chailapine (Bass).

Songs—

Les Sirenes—Valse (Waldteufel).

Dolores Valse (Waldteufel).

Ninon Vallin (Soprano).

Violin Solo—

Serenade in G Major, Op. 30 No. 2 (Arensky).

Songs—

Take O take those lips away (Peter Warlock).

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.30 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Jazz Piano Recital by Bill Cameron.

8.30-9 p.m.—Song Memories.

Dixieland—Selection.

The Open Road—A Hiking Medley (arr. Debroy Somers).

Vocal Gems—The Vagabond King (Friml).

Vocal Gems—

The Love Parade.

Sunny Side Up.

9.35 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

URBAN COUNCIL

Agenda For To-day's Meeting

BREACHES OF BY-LAWS

At to-day's meeting of the Urban Council a minute by the Chairman relative to deputing authority to any officer lawfully performing the duties of Chief Inspector or Senior Inspector to institute summary proceedings for breaches of By-laws will be read. The following applications will be considered: For a restaurant licence at Nos. 423 and 425, first floors and Nos. 427 and 429, ground and first floors, Hennessy Road; for a food preserving licence at Lot No. 5918, Sai Kung Road; for an offensive trade licence at No. 16, Sung Hing Lane, second floor; for the registration of No. 100, Johnston Road, ground floor, as a dairy; for a food factory licence at No. 13, Third Street, first floor; and for a food factory licence at No. 16, Sai Street, basement.

The regular returns will also be tabled.

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For travelling a 3d. distance on the Southern Railway without paying the fare, and afterwards giving a false address, Morris L. Blunden, of Waverley-road, South Norwood, was fined \$7, with four guineas costs, at Croydon.

There was a previous conviction for a similar offence.

8.25-9.30 p.m.—Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

Reminiscences of Grieg (arr. Urbach).

Mennett No. 1 (Paderewski).

Coeur Brise (Gillet).

9.30-9.45 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Recital of Russian songs by Maria Moskalenko (Soprano) Accompanied by Nura Kinnis.

9.45-10 p.m.—Five Songs by Dick Powell (Tenor).

1. Down Sunshine Lane.

2. The Words are in my heart.

3. I'm going Shopping with you.

4. Lonely Gondolier.

5. Outside of you.

10 p.m.—Big Ben.

10.10-10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

10.30-10.45 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.

A Talk on "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodgson.

10.45-11 p.m.—Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

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Sporting Page



COMMITTEE BLUNDER IN INTERPORT HOCKEY SELECTION

BLARNEY STONE RUGGER SERIES FUSILIER "A" TROUNCE CLUB "B" TEAM TAMAR'S EXCELLENT WIN

(By "Referee")

THE opening matches in the Blarney Stone Seven-a-Side Rugby tournament, in aid of charity, produced some thrilling matches yesterday on the Club ground at the Valley, where four matches took place, resulting in wins for the Cornwall, Tamar, Fusilier "A" and Fusilier "B" teams.

Probably the best encounter of the evening was that between the Tamar and the Royal Artillery, which was only decided after extra time had been called for, one of the sailors scoring the most spectacular try of the day after dribbling practically the whole length of the field.

The first game of the evening was between the Cornwall and the Royal Army Medical Corps, resulting in a win for the former by three tries (9 points) to nil. The game was a very hard fought one and play was evenly distributed.

Neame Scores

Neame opened the scoring for the sailors in the first half and this was followed by a second from Lucy. After the interval Neame added the third try for the sailors.

Cornwall: — Lt. Comdr. Neame; Griggs and Doughty; Lt. Esmond; Lt. Copeman, Galleley and Lucy. R.A.M.C.: — Westward; Whitechurch and Arnold; Smart; Clark, Lloyd and Harris.



Lt. J. P. Williams, above, is one of the 15 selected Colony players asked to attend King's Park next Saturday afternoon.

SIGNALS ARE DOGGED BY BAD LUCK COX OUT OF TEAM FOR SEASON FOUR ON INJURED LIST

The Royal Corps of Signals must be the unluckiest hockey team in the Colony, for no sooner have they settled down to play well together, than bad luck, in the way of injuries, is interfering with their plans.

Last week they had to play four reserves in their match against the Royal Engineers, as Sig. Cox, Serjt. Morgan, Cpl. Wainwright and Sig. Sinclair were all on the injured list. Of these four, Sig. Cox will not be able to play again this season as he broke his wrist in a Small Units football match against the Royal Engineers last Thursday. Though he was discharged from the Bowen Road Hospital yesterday, he will not be fit for any sport for some time to come.

Non-Playing Captain

Cox will, however, remain as non-playing captain, but no decision has yet been arrived at as to who will fill his vacancy in the team. It is certain that Sig. Austen will drop back to the centre-half position.

The most improved player in the Signals' side is H. Smith, who is now playing a very good game at left-half, while Lt. Thompson is rapidly developing into a first class left-winger.

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A. T. LAY GIVES UP HOCKEY

A. T. Lay, who led the Scottish forward line in last year's local international tournament, has given up hockey and will not be available for the Scotland team to meet Germany in the First Round on Thursday week.



Lt. Comdr. Broome, above, has been ill with fish-poisoning, otherwise he might have secured the left-back position in the Colony Interport hockey team.

COLONY CIVILIAN HOCKEY TEAM

Final Selection Will Be Made On Field

The following 15 players have been invited to attend the Royal Naval Recreation Club ground at King's Park on Sunday next at 4 p.m. when the Civilian team to meet Macau will be selected:

RAMZAN (K.L.T.C.)

A. E. P. GUEST (Radio)
G. SOMMER (Club)
J. E. POTTER (Club)

M. H. HASSAN (Radio)
W. A. REED (Club)
L. OLIVEIRA (University)

G. E. R. DIVETT (Club)
S. A. FOWLER (Club)
AWTAR SINGH (K.L.T.C.)
A. P. SOUZA (K.L.T.C.)
J. M. PINTO (K.L.T.C.)
GURBACHAN SINGH (Radio)
D. C. NOOY (Club)
A. P. SILVA (Argonauts)

E. L. SHUTE NOT PLAYING IN THE CLUB SINGLES More Entries Than Last Year

SEVEN PLAYERS DRAW BYES

The draw for the Club Lawn Tennis Singles Championship, which has drawn more entries this year than last, resulted as follows:—

T. A. Pearce, bye; M. Pugh, bye; P. Scoules, bye.
G. S. Gamble v H. J. Armstrong;
V. R. Gordon v A. D. Humphrey; P. A. Redmond v J. C. Poole; R. Henry v E. Zachurst; D. MacDougall v A. K. Mackenzie; L. Goldman v B. O'M. Deane; Lt. Comdr. S. F. Stapleton v Capt. W. J. R. Cragg; W. M. Barton v Surg. Lt. W. A. S. Grant; G. Polglasse v G. Marselle.
P. F. McCabe, bye; T. C. Monaghan, bye; H. Owen Hughes, bye; A. L. Sullivan, bye.

It is interesting to note that the holder, E. L. Shute, is not competing in this year's tournament.

LT. COMDR. BROOME RECOVERS FROM FISH-POISONING

Lt. Comdr. Broome, the Naval hockey representative on the Council of the Hong Kong Hockey Association, has just recovered from a serious attack of fish-poisoning. Though he had been in bed for the past three weeks, he made an appearance in the final Interport trial last Sunday morning.

TEA PARTY AT THE "Y"

Mrs. A. W. Ingram, President of the "Y" Ladies' Hockey Section, Miss R. Ingram and Miss J. Adey, will be the guests of honour at a tea to be given by the "Y" Ladies on Thursday next at 5.15 p.m. in the West Lounge.

ANNUAL BOWLS MATCH

The annual lawn bowls match between the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Yorkshire Society will take place next Saturday, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

CUSTODIAN MISTAKE

BROWN SHOULD HAVE SECURED RECOGNITION

LAL SINGH MUST BE SELECTED

THE PROBABLE LINE-UP

(By "STICKS")
The selection of 15 players from whom the team to meet the Macau Hockey Club next Saturday afternoon will be selected must have caused a certain amount of surprise and even indignation in hockey circles, particularly where the custodian and halves were concerned.

Sunday's trial did not give the selectors a true indication of form, the standard of hockey displayed being poor in the extreme, but several newcomers showed up very well.

Owen, the selected custodian, did nothing to justify inclusion in the team. Spr. Howlett, who was given a first trial on Sunday, was very spectacular and on two occasions rushed out of his charge at the psychological moment, to save two certain goals. He may have been impetuous, but did what was expected of him.

Guest's Off-Day

Guest, Kishen Singh and Potter are the three selected backs. Guest had an off-day on Sunday, but this was probably due to over-confidence for some reason or other. On current form, however, he deserves inclusion.

Kishen Singh was steady on Sunday, but he is inclined to slice the ball, which may prove extremely dangerous in a fast game.

The outstanding full-back on Sunday, Kennedy, did not receive recognition, even as a reserve. Apparently he was the odd man out and brought into the trial to make up the team!

Potter, the third of the backs, will probably be the reserve.

Brown Passed Over

Spr. Brown, of the Engineers, should have secured one of the four positions allotted to halves.

Davies worked very hard on Sunday morning and it was his keen marking of Lal Singh in the second half that prompted the selectors to include him among the 15.

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IRELAND HOCKEY TEAM

More Players Wanted

A few replies have been received by Lieut. H. M. Irvine-Andrews, the Irish representative, from players who are desirous of representing Ireland in the International Hockey Tournament, but the Ireland representative wants it known that he would like to hear of any others wishing to play.

It is probable that a trial will be held on Friday next, and those who have not yet done so are asked to submit their names to Lieut. Irvine-Andrews, East Lancashire Regiment.



Lal Singh, above, the brilliant Army and Interport left-winger, should secure his place against Macau next Saturday.



G. Sommer, above, was in brilliant fettle on Sunday when he was seen in the left-back position for the Wanderers' team against Macau, who won by 5 goals to 3.

INTERPORT HOCKEY

Fifteen Players Asked To Attend

The following 15 players have been invited to attend at King's Park on Saturday next at 4 p.m. when the Interport team to meet Macau will be selected:

A. B. OWENS (Navy)

A. E. P. GUEST (Radio)
KISHEN SINGH (Army)
J. E. POTTER (Club)

LIEUT. DAVIES (Navy)
W. A. REED (Club)
ALAF DIN (Army)
LIEUT. J. P. WILLIAMS (Army)

G. E. R. DIVETT (Club)
GURBACHAN SINGH (Radio)
LIEUT. E. M. DAWSON (Army)
LIEUT. BURCH (Navy)
PTE. NOLAN (Army)
LIEUT. WRAITH (Navy)
LAL SINGH (Army)

ENGLAND TEAM SELECTED

BUT CUSTODIAN MISSING

VERY POWERFUL ATTACK

With the exception of the goalkeeper, the players to represent England in the local international hockey competition have been selected and are as follows:—

A. N. Other (Goal); J. E. Potter (Club) and Edson Cox (East Lancs.) (Full-backs); Lt. J. P. Williams (East Lancs.), W. A. Reed (Club) and J. Farmer (C.B.A.) (Half-backs); G. E. R. Divett (Club), Lt. C. C. Garthwaite (H.K.S.B.A.), Lt. E. M. Dawson (East Lancs.), Lt. Burch (Navy) and D. Carey (Club).

It was seen from the above that Lt. Garthwaite, the Colony and Army player, has been persuaded to take part in the competition despite the fact that he has announced recently that he would not be playing any more hockey this season, owing to an injury to his right hand.

TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERPORT HOCKEY

Tentative arrangements for the visit of the Macau hockey team for the Interport match next Saturday are: Interport Dinner at Peninsula Hotel at 8 p.m. Tickets at \$2.50 each can be obtained from either the hotel or Mr. F. A. Kemp. This will probably be followed by a dance at Club de Recreio, for which a charge of \$1 will be made.

NO MATCHES THIS WEEK

There will be no ladies' hockey next Saturday as the Semi-Finals and Finals of the Pearce and Junior Seven-a-Side hockey tournaments, which were supposed to have taken place, have been postponed for a further week owing to the Central British School sports, which take place on the C.B.A. ground.

BOXING AT CHINA FLEET CLUB

H.M.S. DORSETSHIRE WIN TOURNAMENT

BUT MEDWAY PUT UP GOOD SHOW

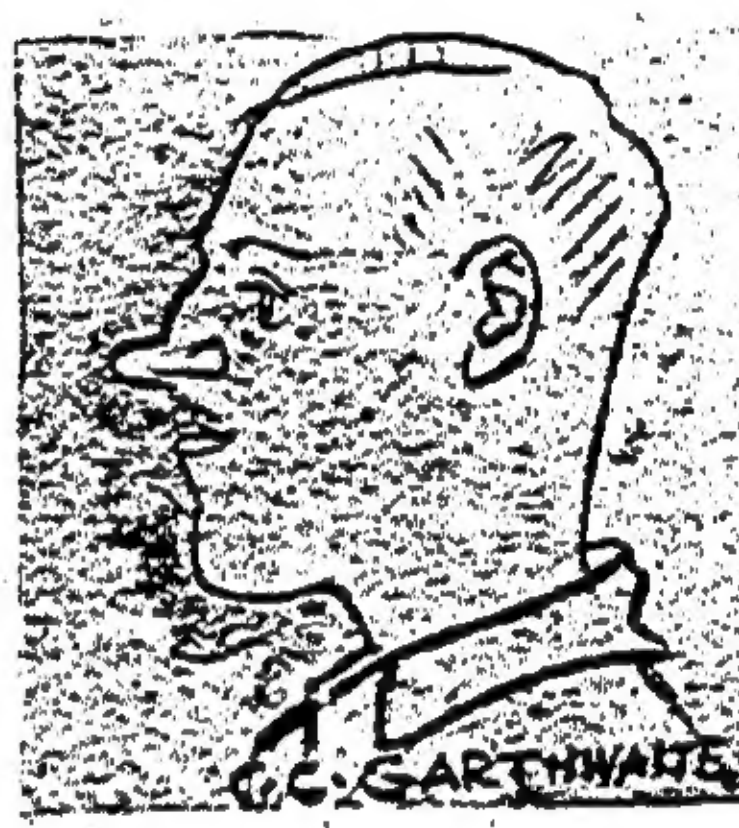
SOME very good boxing was seen at the China Fleet Club last night when a team from H.M.S. Dorsetshire beat a team from H.M.S. Medway and Submarines by six fights to four in their boxing tournament. The boxing on the whole was of a high standard, especially in the special middleweight bout between A.B. Fancey and Sto. Prettyjohn, both of the Medway.

At the conclusion of the fights Capt. A. G. L. Murray, D.S.O., O.B.E. (H.M.S. Dorsetshire) gave away the prizes and, in congratulating the men on the fine exhibition they put up, he made special mention of P.O. Palmer (Dorsetshire) who, he said, was the lightweight champion of Devonport in 1924 but who, despite Anno Domini, was "still going strong."

A large number of boxing enthusiasts were present and in addition to officers of H.M. Forces, many prominent residents were present including Messrs H. G. Sheldon, G. G. N. Tinson, L. C. F. Bellamy, T. A. Pearce, "Charlie" Bond and Mr. F. (Peanut) Marshall, the Shanghai jockey.

The results were as follows:—

Feather Weight
E. A. Burke (Rainbow) beat A. B. Godfrey (Dorsetshire).
Lightweight
Marine Davies (Dorsetshire) beat A. B. Lewis (Medway).
Boy Mountjoy (Dorsetshire) beat A. B. Smith (Medway).
A. B. Cassell (Orpheus) beat A. B. Hudson (Dorsetshire).
A. B. Robinson (Medway) beat A. B. Jones (Dorsetshire).
Sig. Spectigue (Dorsetshire) beat Ldg. Sea Gooke (Odn).
Welterweight
A. B. Yates (Dorsetshire) beat A. B. Trawley (Medway).
T. L. Jones (Rainbow) beat P. O. Palmer (Dorsetshire).
A. B. McCall (Dorsetshire) beat A. B. Appleby (Regulus).
Light Heavy
Marine Clarke (Dorsetshire) beat A. B. Holland (Regulus).
Special Middleweight Contest
A. B. Fancey (Medway) beat Sto. Prettyjohn (Medway).



Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite, above, has been persuaded to play for the England team in the local hockey international after having decided to give up hockey.

KINGSLAND TEST DRAWN

Hardstaff Scores A Century

1000 RUNS FOR TOUR

Kingsland, Yesterday.
The third unofficial Test cricket match between the M.C.C. tourists and New Zealand, which commenced here on Friday, ended in a draw yesterday.

When play was resumed the M.C.C. took their score of 239 for 6 to 435. Hardstaff, who was not out with 57 to his credit on Saturday, brought his own score to 147 not out, in the course of which he indulged in some excellent cover-driving. His innings lasted 262 minutes and he hit a six and 12 boundaries. He thus completed his 1000 runs for the tour.

New Zealand had scored 128 for 3 when stumps were drawn their first innings total being 368.—Reuter.

MISS FARO TO BE MARRIED

Miss Daphne Faro, a popular member of the "Y" Ladies' junior hockey team, will be married on Saturday next to Mr. H. Johns.



Mrs. M. Read, above, gave a good display in last Saturday's play-off between the "Y" Ladies and H. K. Ladies, at Bookarpee.

SCOTLAND'S CHANCES ARE VERY BRIGHT

STRONG DEFENCE ASSURED

LT. COMDR. ST. CLAIR FORD AS RIGHT WINGER?

Scotland are likely to be fairly strong in the local international hockey tournament as there is any amount of talent available.

Spr. Howlett, who gave a sparkling display in the final Interport hockey trial, will be their goalkeeper, while the two backs will be J. Rodger and C. Blackburn. These two have not played together, although they will probably make a fine pair of backs, as both are very steady and accurate in their hitting.

The intermediate line will probably comprise N. Whitley, D. McLehlan and G.T.K. Glenchrist, with possibly E. MacNider as the reserve half-back.

Forward Problem

The forwards will present the selectors with a real problem as there are at least three right-wingers available, all of whom are good.

Lt. Comdr. St. Clair Ford, the Naval Rugby international, is the most likely selection, although W. W. C. Sheehan, of the Club juniors, and N. A. E. Mackay, of the Club seniors, are two other possible selections.

Three Right-Wingers


The inside-right berth will probably go to T. S. D. Whitley, who covered himself with glory in the Wanderers' match against Macau (Continued on Page 7)

G. DUNCAN LEAVING

G. Duncan, who played between the "sticks" for Scotland last year in the local international hockey tournament, will not be available this season as he leaves for Home on March 27.

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Hong Kong, Tuesday, March 3, 1936.

And Now What?

On the eve of the 40th anniversary of the Italian defeat at Adowa came the news that the battle in the Tembien region resulted in the complete annihilation of Ras Kassa's army. The reports, emanating as they did from Rome and Asmara, which is the Italian headquarters in the East African campaign, must be taken with a certain amount of reserve. So many extravagant claims have already been made and so many equally undependable reports of minimum casualties suffered on the Italian side, that one must discount everything that is said by about 50 per cent. But even allowing for this, it is evident that the Italians have, in fact, gained a decisive victory over the Abyssinian forces which, while it may not necessarily connote that "Abyssinia has already lost the war," is sufficiently real to allow the assumption that the winning of the war will not be long delayed. It might be advantageous to recount what is known and what can be conjectured as to the origins and progress of this campaign. We are unable to find anything in it that will lie our original belief that it was a dirty business from the start. The "incident" at Ual Ual was the primary excuse; and the actual declaration of hostilities by General de Bono was announced as a "safeguard" against the Abyssinian "aggression" — which consisted, so far as we can gather, of a withdrawal of the Abyssinian forces to a distance of 30 kilometres from the frontier. The various other reasons, either implied or openly admitted by the Fascist chief, have included the desire, primarily, to wipe out the memory of the Adowa defeat, and the provision for Italy of a region which will allow expansion and an access to the raw materials which she lacks. In pursuit of these aims Italy has deliberately broken the Covenants she solemnly entered into at Geneva and has driven a coach and four right through the whole system of pacts and treaties by demonstrating in no mean fashion that "scraps of paper" are not yet out of fashion.

A point of enormous interest for the world at large and for the smaller nations in particular is this: What will be the reaction if and when Italy presents the *fait accompli* of a victorious Italy and an Abyssinia denuded of territory, sovereignty and independence? Will the League of Nations (or what is left of it by that time) as an entity, or the various European nations with interests in the country, individually, simply sit back with folded hands and accord *de facto* if not *de jure* recognition to the new situation? Shall we have another Manchukuo? Will all the other nations follow America in "benevolent neutrality" or "splendid isolation" or anything else one likes to call it, shake an admonitory finger at the big, bad wolf and leave it at that? These and other questions of a like nature will have to be answered some time; they might as well be examined now.

And, of course, they lead to others of far greater importance for world relations as a whole. After the rape of China, the sack of Abyssinia, and after that, what? Germany's insidious propaganda for the return of her colonies has been obvious to the veriest babe in arms for months — years, in fact. Exactly the same argu-

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

Home Sweet Home

IN proportion to its population, Bulgaria claims more centenarians than any other country in the world, having 158 citizens who range in age from 100 to 114 years, about evenly divided between men and women. Maria Dyankova, 109, and Ilyia Dyankova, 114, of Pleven, claim to be the oldest and happiest married couple in the world. For 81 years they have lived in devoted companionship, living in the same house for 61 years and never going beyond their own village. They have nine children, eighteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren, and have never had a quarrel in their long married life.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

It is announced that the local Mohammedan community will celebrate the festival of Idus-zuha on Thursday. The service at the Mosque will commence at 9 a.m.

Mr. George Vanderbilt, 21-year-old American millionaire, and his bride, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Singapore aboard the Dutch steamer Roggeveen.

The s.s. Talma is due here from Singapore at 4 p.m. to-day.

A dinner dance will be held at the Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow at 8.30 p.m.

The s.s. Nankin is due here from Manila on Thursday morning.

The official annual inspection of The St. John Ambulance Brigade by H.E. the Governor will take place on the Naval Recreation Ground, Causeway Bay, on March 19 at 5 p.m.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.07 inch. The total since January 1 has been 3.99 inches, against an average of 3.19 inches.

The death occurred yesterday of Miss Adelaide A. Baptista, at her residence No. 5, St. Joseph's Terrace. Miss Baptista, who had reached the great age of 83, was a sister of Mr. J. Baptista of the Insurance Department of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.

Professor L. Forster, M.A., is to deliver his presidential address on "English and American Influences on Chinese Education" on Wednesday, March 4, at 8.30 p.m. in the J.K.U. Union Assembly Room, when the first general meeting of the Education Society is to be held. The lecture is open to the public and all interested are cordially welcome.

ments as Mussolini used are being put forward at any and every opportunity. The latest was the speech of Dr. Goebbels at the opening of the Leipzig trade fair two days ago. No British Government, even the Reddest and most Socialist, is in the remotest degree likely to acquiesce in such a policy. What, then? Does Germany, with the successful example of Italy fresh to mind, take the bit between her teeth and use the forceful method? What, finally, of those Powers, inherently weak but in possession of desirable colonies, such as Portugal and Holland? Neither of them would stand a dog's chance against a re-armed Germany, a militaristic Japan or any other Great Power out for what it could get. Indeed, the whole reason for the policy of support of the League by the smaller Powers is based on the theory that they would be enabled to resist such aggression by the system of collective security which the League is supposed to represent. And as it has failed so dismally in the case of Italy and Ethiopia, there would seem to be some anxious times ahead for the smaller nations. In short, the world is fast moving back again to barbarity: everyone out for what he can get, and the devil take the hindmost. "If ye have tears, prepare to shed them now." Or would it not almost be better politics to follow the Great Duke and put your trust in God, but keep your powder dry?

Here There and Everywhere.

ADMIRAL "RAGS" COLVIN

Those who enjoyed the dances for which the Royal Naval College at Greenwich is famous will learn with regret that a recent fire there has seriously damaged the ball-room.

This regret will be the keener because the last dance was postponed at the shortest notice owing to Lord Jellicoe's death.

Vice-Admiral Colvin, the President of the College, whose own quarters are now uninhabitable, is lucky in one respect. The College possesses the most comfortable shore quarters in the Navy for a Commander. The Admiral is moving into these for the present. He is known in the Service as "Rags" Colvin. This is an abbreviated form of his unusual Christian name of Ragnar, and in no way reflects his personality, which is austere intellectual.

NEW AIR PORTS IN THE EAST

It is learned that immediate action is to be taken to create aeroplane landing grounds in Sarawak and in Borneo.

The decision is the result of a recent tour of inspection by Air Commodore S. W. Smith, Officer Commanding, R.A.F. Far East.

For the Sarawak base the consent of Rajah Brooke, who has just returned to his State, will have to be obtained. His co-operation can be taken for granted.

The landing grounds will have a commercial value, but they may also be regarded as part of the perfection of the Singapore defence scheme.

The new aerodrome which the Dutch are building in the Celebes can be considered in the same light. It is 20 miles away from Macassar, the nearest town.

Your Daily Smile!

Smile Awhile
The rich uncle wrote to his nephew: "I am sending you the £10 you requested, but must draw your attention to an error in your letter: 'ten' is written with one nought, not two."

Observant Salesman
"I want some collars for my husband," said the woman, "but I am afraid I have forgotten the size."
"Thirteen and a half, ma'am?" suggested the shop assistant.
"That's it. How did you know?"
"Men who let their wives buy their collars for them are always about that size, ma'am," explained the observant salesman.

THE KING WITHOUT A PRINCE OF WALES GALAHAD GIVES WAY TO SOVEREIGN

"THREE LAWS" PREDICTED BY NEW KING AS A BOY

(By Hector Bolitho)

It will not be easy, especially for the children of the Empire, to become used to the fact that we now have a monarch but no Prince of Wales.

The Galahad of 20 years ago, who ran up the staircase of the War Office and pleaded with Kitchener to allow him to go with his regiment to France, has become a Sovereign, heavy with responsibilities. We may no longer think of "Edward P." as a leader of the young, and we have to accustom ourselves to the new title of His Majesty King Edward VIII.

An Heir's Privileges
It is not the first time that Great Britain has been without a Prince of Wales, and the gap leaves us with a number of interesting questions.

There are many public illustrations about the privileges of being Heir to the Throne, and few books of reference tell us that the Sovereign is not obliged to make his eldest son Prince of Wales.

The title of Duke of Cornwall is entirely different. The moment the heir is born, he is Duke of Cornwall and the great estates of the duchy, which were gathered together by Edward III for his son, become the basis of the young Prince's fortune.

The heir must wait, however, upon his father's indulgence before he may assume the title of Prince of Wales.

While there is no heir to the throne, the estates of the Duchy of Cornwall continue to belong to the Sovereign.

Long History
The history of the duchy estates has not always run smoothly, and there are several dramatic chapters since the time of Edward III.

The Black Prince himself gave away some of the estates which his father had amassed for him, as rewards to his friends in arms. These were bought back again and the duchy remained more or less as a whole until the days of Cromwell, when some of the land was sold again.

The estate was gathered together once more after the Restoration and Sovereigns and heirs continued to use the income of the duchy.

The most reckless holder of the estates was George IV. Having no heir, he used the income from the duchy, in addition to his own, and so ruthlessly did he squeeze the golden goose that it almost succumbed.

At one period the estates of the duchy were so controlled that a banker became Duke of Cornwall in all but name. This unusual state continued until the Accession of Queen Victoria.

Set Right Again
The Prince Consort, astute and economical, soon set the affairs of the duchy right again.

As early as March 1847 he had re-organised them so cleverly that the estate was producing £70,000 a year. It was the accumulation of this income which made King Edward a rich man when he came of age.

It will come as a surprise to many to learn that the three feathers erroneously called "The Prince of Wales's Feathers" come to the heir as part of his insignia when he is born.

They are not essentially the prerogative of the Prince of Wales.

The great mass of the public know the new King as Prince of Wales, which last month he ceased to be, but they do not know how deeply he has revealed himself in his management of affairs as Duke of Cornwall.

He had a great example. The Prince Consort installed bathrooms in the houses of the Kennington estate when there was none even in Windsor Castle. This little note of progress grew into a great force when the present King assumed the powers of Duke of Cornwall. He has been a generous and thoughtful landlord, and his tenants have prospered with him.

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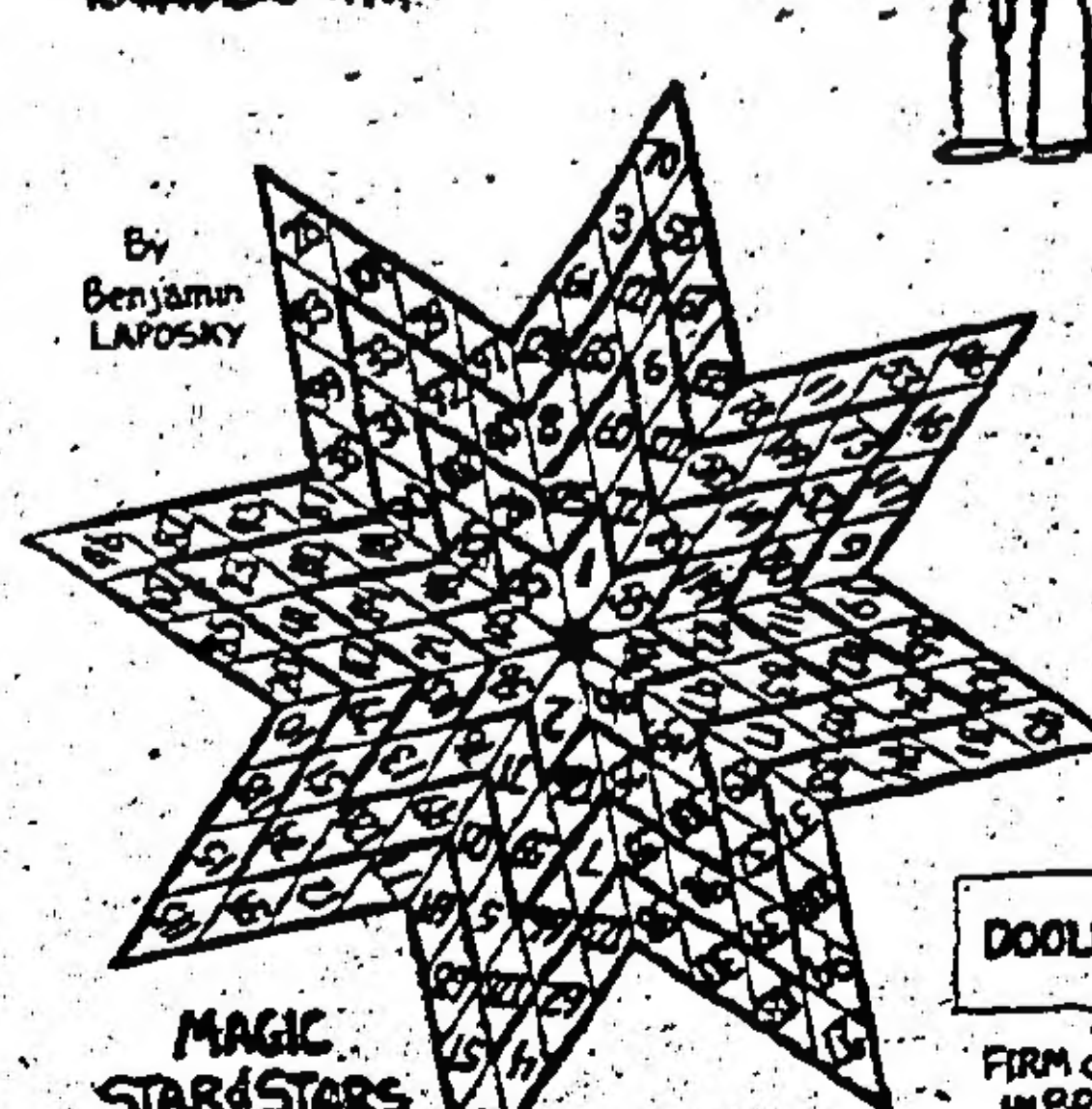
"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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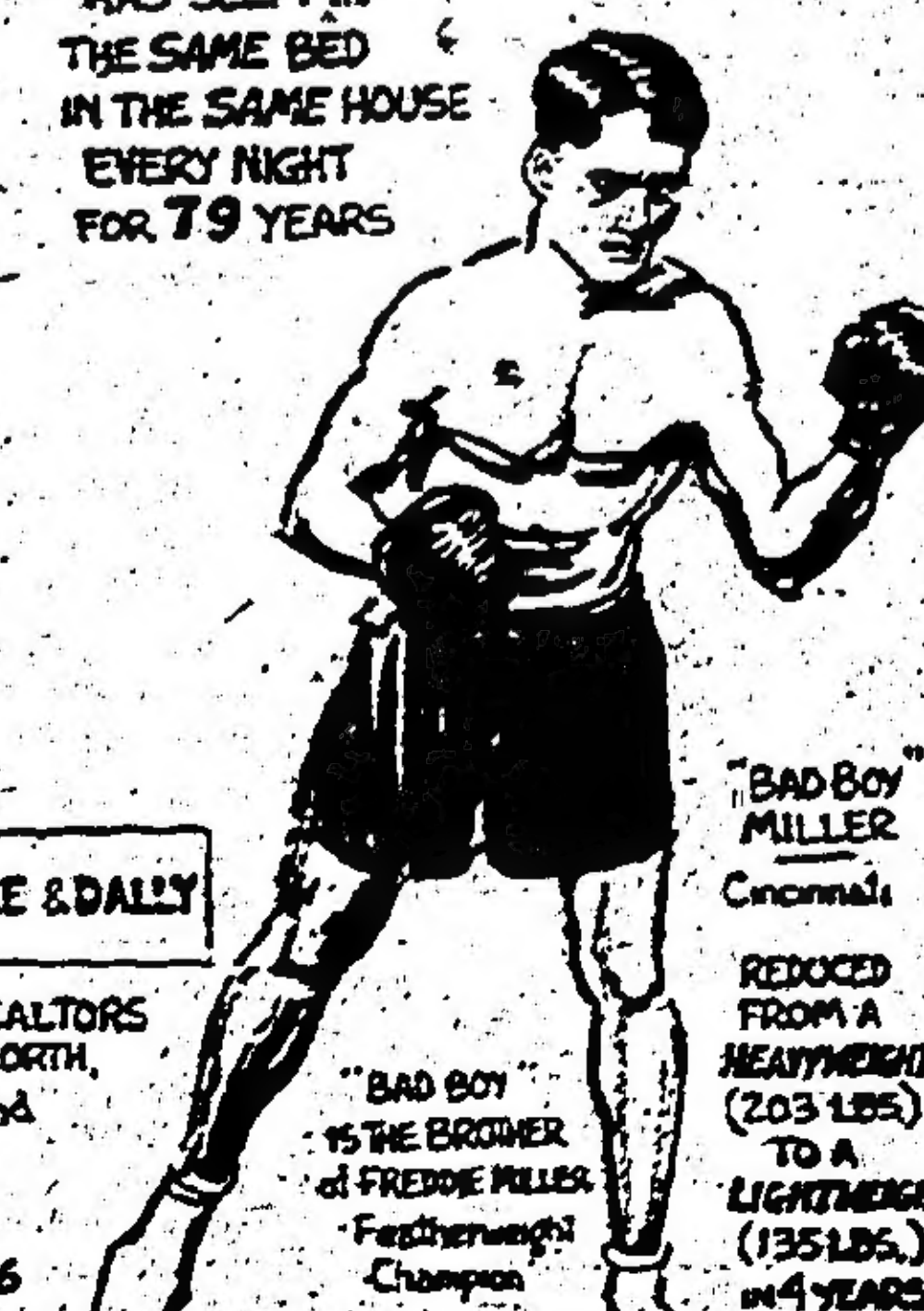


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**POLICE PROTEST IN
THIRD DIVISION**

Mr. A. Chapman was appointed Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association in place of Mr. M. L. Railton, who is leaving for Tientsin on March 20, at the monthly meeting of the Association held last night and presided over by Mr. T. A. Mitchell, one of the vice-presidents, owing to the indisposition of Col. H. C. Harrison, the chairman.

Supporting the chairman were Mr. M. L. Railton, the Hon. Secretary and Mr. W. Alexander, the Treasurer. Other members present were Lieutenants Delamain, Kelly, Pegg and Carson, Messrs. W. Woodward, C. Goldenberg, C. M. Alves, J. MacKellie, J. Shepherd, Wong Ka-tsun, H. K. Lee, and C. Guimam.

Permission was granted for a charity game between the Army and the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps on Good Friday.

The meeting was unanimous that some memento be given to Mr. Woodward, who is leaving early in April, in appreciation of the excellent work he has done for the Association.

Clubs Fined

The question of Clubs failing to fulfil their fixtures was discussed at a meeting of the League Management Committee last night, following the monthly meeting of the Association.

Owing to the absence of Mr. C. Chaplin, Mr. S. Strange was voted to the chair, and other members present were Messrs. Woodward, C. Guimam, A. Chapman and M. L. Railton, Hon. Secretary.

For failing to fulfil their fixtures against the Police on Saturday Lyemun were fined \$7 to cover referee and linesmen's fees and the points awarded the Police, while Radio and Eastern were both fined \$3 and the points awarded to the R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C. and the Reserve, respectively.

The application of the Police for a postponement of their First Division game against the Royal Welch Fusiliers on the day prior to the Shield final was not granted, but permission would be given for the game to be brought forward.

Owing to the University sports on April 4, their game with Eastern was brought forward to March 15.

A letter was received from the Police calling attention to the fact that Davies of the Fusiliers had played against the Chinese Police recently, while he was under suspension, and claiming both points. It was decided that the result of the game stand and that the player in question be dealt with by the Emergency Committee.

RUGBY

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and Wright were conspicuous for the Gunners, while the Tamar side as a whole were good, Bowden's tackling being brilliant under the circumstances.

H.M.S. Tamar—Bowden; Richards and Lee; Puddicombe; Wide, Baynon and Sub Lt. Wright.
R.A.—Lucas; Finlay and Lt. McCaffrey; Eaves; Wright, Forsyth and McBryde.

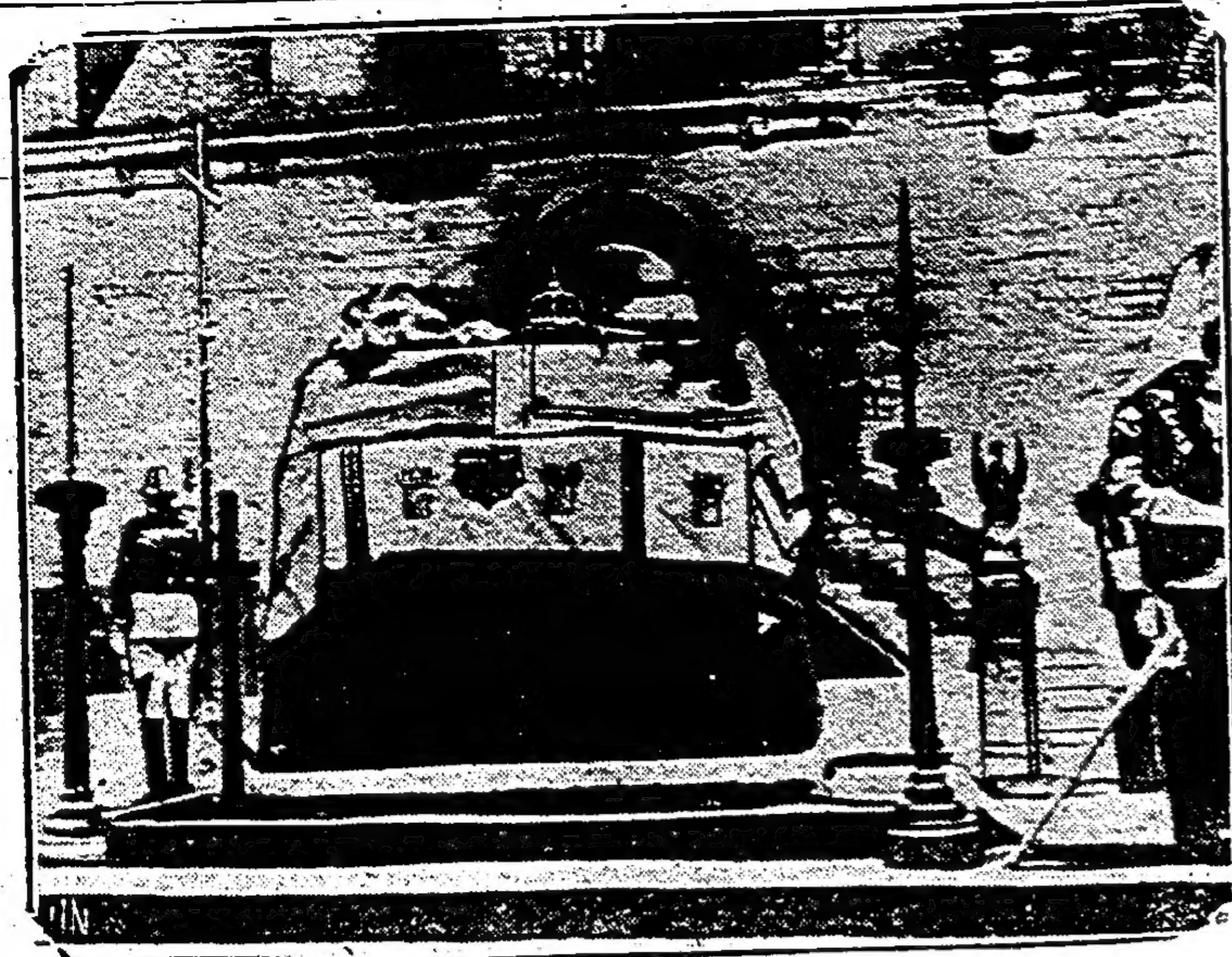
SAPPERS BEATEN IN HARD GAME

**Fusiliers "B" Team's
Win In "Sevens"**

The Fusilier "B" team experienced no easy task in subduing the Sappers in their First Round encounter in the Blarney Stone Seven-a-Side Rugby tournament, and it took all they had to produce two unconverted tries by Preece and Kelshaw.

Hamilton, the Sappers' scrum-half, found the slippery ball difficult to handle and consequently the R. E. backs very rarely saw the ball, although Bowling was in possession once, but was not fast enough for either Jones or Kelshaw.

Preece opened the scoring in the first half after a good run down the touchline and Kelshaw



Surrounded by flickering tapers and immobile guards, the body of the late King George V lies in State at Westminster Hall. This photograph was transmitted from London to America by wireless.

NEW TYPE OF WARSHIP

**Super Dreadnaught
Invented**

**FANTASTIC CLAIM IN
AMERICA**

Washington. While delegates of world Powers have been discussing limiting the size of battleships, Washington last month learned of a new super dreadnaught "invented" by Lester P. Barrow, more than twice the size of any existing battleship.

Barrow was the inventor of aeroplane bombs used during the world war.

New Type

Barrow, at Stamford, Conn., disclosed that his design covers an entirely new type of craft, immune from torpedo, artillery and aerial bomb attack. It has a protective armour "not composed of any metallic substance" and is propelled by "units immune from present means of attack, which may be replaced at sea while the vessel is under way."

The craft would have two tunnels able to launch two torpedoes per minute.

Super-Size

It would be of \$5,000 tons, as compared with the U. S. S. Maryland, largest in the American fleet of 37,500 tons. The ship would have a speed of 15 knots. Barrow said that the American navy was considering the plans. However, he said he had standing invitations from Britain and Russia to submit his plans to them. Naval officials, however, characterized Barrow's plans as "fantastic." Due to the size, the ship could not be repaired in naval dry-docks, would find it impossible to go through the Panama Canal and impossible to enter most of the harbours of the world.

added the second try in the second half, both tries being unconverted.

Fusilier "B"—Jones; Jeffreys and Kelshaw; Preece, Williams Watts and Davies.
R. E.—Howlett; Boyling and Hurst; Lt. Hamilton, Cullinan, Jordan and Capt. Gillespie.

CLUB "B" SWAMPED BY FUSILIER "A"

**Soldiers Too Fast
For Civilians**

The Fusilier "A" team, who are favourites for the Blarney Stone Seven-a-Side Rugby tournament, had no easy passage into the Second Round yesterday when they beat the Club "B" team by a goal and five tries (20 points) to nil.

The soldiers proved much too fast for their opponents, whose tackling was too high to be effective. Davies was in brilliant form and scored three of the tries, while Floyd, Bruton and Lt. Rice-Evans scored the others. Chaney, converging one by Davies. The Fusiliers led by 12 points (four unconverted tries) to nil at the interval.

Fusilier "A"—Floyd; Davies and Lt. Rice-Evans; Bruton; Morgan, Bebb and Chaney.

Club "B"—D. S. Edwards; R. H. Griffiths and S. C. Archer; E. P. Humphreys, W. Stoker, S. H. Garrod and B. Hynes.

To-day's Short Story

Catch That Missing Rhythm

By Taig
Farrell

I could not be heard unless I said. You were looking for it. Professor John Mallion was looking hard ten years, he said. It entered the cries of the street. It was lost in the backfire of the car around the corner.

It was the tapping of a toy drum drifting into London traffic. But the professor heard it in a North Sea gale. Through the yammer of a pneumatic drill. He stood back and looked at the house.

The drumming started. It had a weary roll. It staggered like a man learning to walk again. But walking on a definite way. And the tapping stopped with an angry beat.

The professor knew that anger. He thought of a man putting his fist through the drum's parchment. He knew that too.

He turned into the house and went up the stairs. An old apartment house. It was the second floor, he said.

He did not like the silence. There was a dirty green door on the second land. Only another false alarm, it seemed. That exasperates, even after ten years. He turned to go, when the tapping came behind the green door. The professor knocked.

The drumming stopped. A deep voice told him to come in. The professor glimmered round the door slowly. He saw a negro with a large pink shirt, a wide length of flannel trousers. And a toy drum on his knees.

"Come in, mister," said the negro. "You must think I'm an awful fool!"

"No, sir," the negro told him. "I don't think nobody's a fool, till he's proved nuts."

And the negro smiled. It wrinkled and gleamed. Humour shone around. It was a smile to thaw.

The professor thawed. "My name," he said, "is John Mallion."

"Larry Greenaway," the negro stretched a hand.

"Why did you say you was a fool, Mister Mallion?"

"I am a philologist," the profes-

FRENCH CROIX DE FEU

**Celebration Held In
Strassburg**

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Strassburg, To-day.

The "Croix de Feu" Association of the French war combatants held its first large-scale demonstration in the Alsace capital on Sunday.

Addressing a gathering of 3,000 invited guests in one of Strassburg's largest halls, the leader of the organisation, Colonel de la Roque, pointed out that there can be no lasting peace in Europe before a Franco-German reconciliation is accomplished, which however could only be done by a French Government.

Referring to the Franco-Russian Pact he said that "the Komintern will never keep the promises given to a French bourgeois Government."—Trans-Ocean Service.

"Hey?" Larry asked. "Well," said the professor. He pointed to the drum. "I heard you playing that."

Larry stiffened. He stood over the professor.

"Is you looking for that too?"

"Yes," said the professor.

"That rhythm?"

"Ten years," said the professor.

"Ten years?" Larry slumped back. "I can't find it neither. I guess there ain't no such thing."

Larry lifted a curious eye.

"You don't look like you was in the game," he said. "Is you in legitimate?"

"I am a philologist," the professor said.

Larry was impatient.

"Sure, I got that," he answered.

"But where's this filly-act put on?"

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "First News Bulletin," by Donald Shoubridge.

"Filly-act?" The professor showed the book under his arm. "I am a professor of philology," he said. "The origins and bases of languages. My particular study."

"Professor? Gosh all Friday!"

And Larry laughed aloud.

"Sit down, professor!" he yelled.

"I isn't laughing at you. Thought you was on the stage, Vaudeville."

He laughed.

"But me," Larry said. "Larry Greenaway, the tap-dancer of this century! And when I catches that rhythm—there's a million lights on theatre fronts. Yes, sir!"

He lifted the toy drum.

"Hey, listen!"

He thrummed the parchment.

It chuckled, it rumbled, it bubbled. It was solemn, slow. And pounded rollingly. It grew skittish, hopped on one leg. Then stopped.

"My own invention," said Larry.

He stood erect, but his torso hung back over his hips. He serpented forward and wriggled in rhythm. His legs slid and circled in opposite directions.

His feet did not seem to leave the ground. From beneath them there came a rattle and a beating. It chuckled, it rumbled, it bubbled.

Larry was stiff, severe. The rattle changed. It was solemn, slow. And pounded rollingly.

Larry grimaced. He lifted his hands limp to his chin. The rattle lifted up a different voice. It grew skittish, hopped on one leg. Then stopped.

"Marvelous!" breathed the professor.

"It is. But," said Larry, "where does the filly-act come in, professor? With that missing rhythm?"

The professor said he studied language in life itself.

"In the rhythm of life," he said. "All life was rhythmic, the professor told Larry. The undulating cycle of soil micro-organisms. Periodicities of planets. Oscillations of molecules. Rises and falls of cosmic structures. All was rhythm."

And so also with language.

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HITLER'S PEACE INTERVIEW

**LONDON PRESS
COMMENTS**

**MUST HAVE CHANCE TO
PROVE SINCERITY**

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

The London press comments on Chancellor Hitler's interview with the Editor of the *Paris Midi* are prominently featured by the press here, which cites the following passages from the leading article of the *News Chronicle*—

"Hitler's new and friendly gesture towards France comes at a moment when the droning of arms factories resounds throughout the world, and when the world's statesmen are on the verge of despair. Fairness towards the people of Europe, who would otherwise soon receive orders to march into battle against each other, demands that Herr Hitler's offer be followed up, although it may not seem easy to accept."

"The temptation to speak of insincerity and redouble the activities of munition factories may be great, but the French people cannot afford to disregard the offer and must give Herr Hitler the occasion to prove his sincerity, since an enormous amount of good may result from it."

"A new conference of the Powers should be convoked after thorough preparation to re-examine the question of the limitation of armaments. As long as Herr Hitler's offer is disregarded the British Government has no right to push forward its armament programme."

The papers also register with satisfaction the report from London that Mr. Anthony Eden and M. Flandin will discuss Herr Hitler's peace interview at the forthcoming meeting at Geneva.—Trans-Ocean Service.

CUSTODIAN MISTAKE

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Reed was, as usual, very good, but there was a certainty from the very start. This is his fourth interview to Alaf Din, who has no equal in the Colony for the left-wing berth.

From the selected players, it is obvious that Divett, Dawson, Gurbachan Singh and Burch are already in the side, but the remaining problem is one which should give the selectors much food for thought.

Nolan's Day Out

Lal Singh, who is the strongest claimant for the position, was slightly off-colour on Sunday morning, while Nolan, the other challenger for the berth, shone. But the difference between these two was that Lal Singh was given very close attention by Davies in the second half and could barely move with the ball, whereas Nolan was given almost a free hand by Williams, who was not fast enough for the diminutive winger. There is no doubt in my mind, or for that matter in the minds of those spectators present, that Lal Singh is the more dangerous of the two.

From the 15 selected players, the following should represent the Colony: A. B. Owens (Navy); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Kishan Singh (Army); Lt. Davies (Navy); W. A. Reed (Club) and Alaf Din (Army); G. E. E. Divett (Club); Lieut. E. M. Dawson (Army); Gurbachan Singh (Radio); Lt. Burch (Navy) and Lal Singh (Army).

SCOTLAND'S CHANCES ARE VERY BRIGHT

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last Sunday, while Lt. Howie, of the Navy, who has played in representative hockey here before, will probably lead the attack in the absence of A. T. Lay, the former leader, who has given up the game. V. Bond, of C.B.A., also a sound forward, will probably fill the inside-left berth.

Mackay, who has played on the left-wing and may solve a forward problem by being transferred there. There are several other players from the Navy who have not yet sent in their names.

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| " Red | 10 | — | Suet, Mutton | 36 | 28 |
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| Celery, Chinese | 16 | 10 | Canton Fresh | 20 | 15 |
| Chillies, Dried | 18 | 16 | Water Fish | 32 | 15 |
| " Red | 10 | 8 | Codfish | 48 | 65 |
| " Green | 10 | 8 | Crabs | 12 | 65 |
| Curry Stuff, English | 18 | — | Cuttle Fish | 36 | 10 |
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THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS

Echo To Kowloon Robbery

CHINESE ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Before the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Hayden, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, Tsang Kan, alias Tsang Ping, aged 24, unemployed, was charged with having, with others not in custody, committed an armed robbery at No. 12, Cowshed, Diamond Hill, Kowloon City.

Defendant pleaded not guilty. Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin, was for the defence. The jury empanelled being comprised of Messrs. H. Graye (foreman), E. M. Ozorio, Chang Sam-chong, E. de Chaffoy, G. A. Smith, Chan Kin-cho and Yu Fook-chin.

In giving an outline of the case Mr. Williams said that Wong Yuk, mistress of the establishment, a Chinese dairy company, lived in a flat with her children and two women. On the morning of the alleged crime, the mistress shouted from her cubicle to the two men to go out and milk the cows. They left the flat and had gone only a few paces when about six men rushed down on them, shouting that they were policemen and had come to look for contraband. They proceeded to bind the two women's wrists with wire and then went into the flat where they bound the complainant's son's wrists with a piece of tape. One of the intruders then stood guard over the three men while the rest of the party proceeded to ransack the place.

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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING NEXT WEEK

Another excellent year's business is disclosed in the report and accounts of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., the profit for the year ending December 31, 1935, standing at the handsome figure of \$1,838,572.87, to which is to be added \$155,908.42 from last account; the balance of Profit and Loss Account thus standing at \$1,994,481.29. Of this sum \$450,000 was paid as an interim dividend of \$1 per share on September 23 last, leaving a balance available for distribution of \$1,544,481.29.

At the forthcoming, the forty-seventh, annual general meeting of the Company, which is to be held at the Company's offices, P. and O. Building, on Wednesday next, March 11, at 11 a.m., the Directors will recommend a distribution of the balance disposable as follows:—To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share, absorbing \$675,000, and a bonus of 50 cents per share, absorbing \$225,000, on 450,000 shares; to place to reserve \$400,000; and to carry forward to next account \$244,481.29.

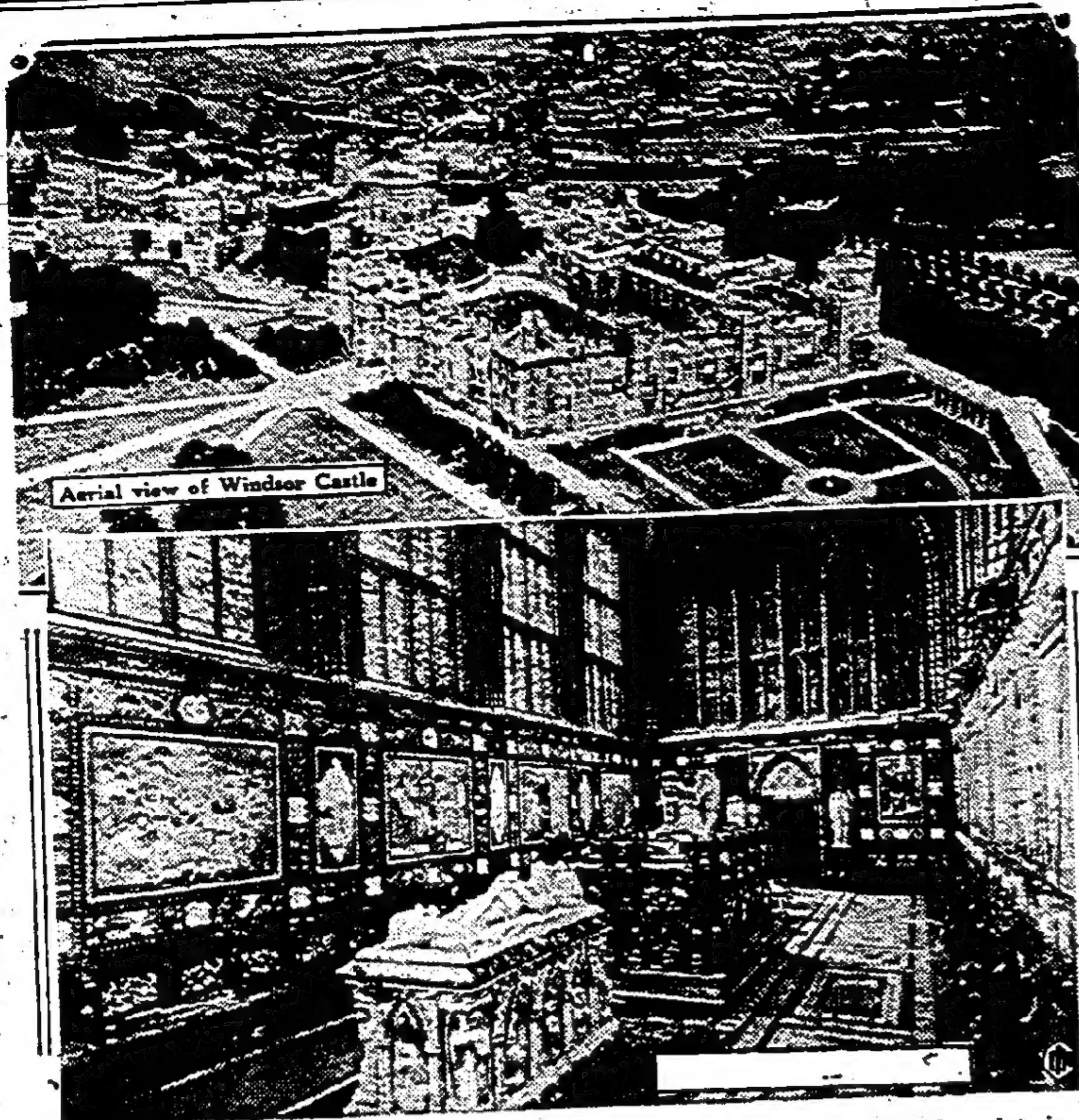
PARLIAMENT AND FIXED TRUSTS

Committee Of Enquiry Appointed

London, To-day.

The composition of the departmental committee to enquire into fixed trusts in all their aspects and to report what action, if any, is desirable in the public interest was announced in the House of Commons yesterday. Sir Alan Anderson, M.P. for the City of London, a Director of the Bank of England and a former President of the Chamber of Shipping and of the Associated Chambers of Commerce, will act as Chairman.

Dr. D. J. Valentine, M.C. (M.B.E.S. (Lond.), D.T.M. & H. (ENG.)), J.P., will give the third lecture in First Aid at the St. John Ambulance headquarters on Friday at 5.30 p.m.



An aerial view of Windsor Castle, historic home of the Kings of England, and an interior view of St. George's Chapel, where the late King was buried. King Edward and Queen Alexandra, William IV, George II and George IV were also interred in the Chapel, which was built 700 years ago by Henry III.

Mr. Eden Clarifies Situation

(Continued from Page 1)

A spokesman emphasised that Italy will not make peace proposals but will examine any made, provided they took full account of her rights. It is authoritatively learned that if sanctions are stiffened Italy will take adequate counter-measures.—Reuter.

“AGAINST THE GRAIN” Paris, Later: Mr. Eden's blunt frankness at Geneva has surprised all. It is interpreted as a warning that Britain herself will propose oil sanctions if Italy and Abyssinia decline to discuss peace. The French Government will undoubtedly concur in whatever action Britain adopts, but it is pointed out that oil sanctions will go sorely against the grain.

“UNEXPECTED MOVE” Geneva: The completely unexpected result of the secret session of the Committee of Eighteen was the decision to examine the possibility of ending the Abyssinian conflict by a new attempt at conciliation.

After the report of the Standing Committee of Experts for the supervision of the execution of sanctions had been read, M. Flandin proposed that the Committee of Thirteen, that is the League Council minus the disputing parties, be summoned, in order to decide the basis for a new attempt at conciliation. This proposal was seconded by Mr. Anthony Eden, and it is intended that the Committee of Thirteen should next meet to-day if the formalities in connection with its convocation can be settled in time, since the Sanctions Committee, as the organ of the Sanctions Conference, is not empowered to convoke the Committee of Thirteen.

Meanwhile the sanctions question will be further investigated by the experts. Mr. Eden significantly stated that if the new attempt failed, England would agree to the oil embargo, provided that the countries engaged in its production and transportation participated in the measure.—Trans-Ocean Service.

NEW PROPOSALS London: A final effort to bring about peace by conciliation between Italy and Abyssinia was decided upon at yesterday's meeting of the League Committee of Eighteen, which had met at Geneva to consider the question of the extension of sanctions to include oil. The proposal was made by M. Flandin, French Foreign Minister, who urged that the Committee of Thirteen, namely the Council without Italy, should be convoked for to-day to initiate fresh peace proposals. It is anticipated that telegrams will be sent by the Committee to both parties to the dispute, inviting replies within 48 hours.

In supporting M. Flandin's proposal, the British delegate, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, said that he did so the

more readily since the whole compass of the League's endeavours throughout the dispute had been to bring the war to an end. The procedure need cause no undue delay, as he understood the Committee of Eighteen still had work to do in connection with the operation of the existing sanctions.

FAIR STATEMENT He added: “At the same time I think it fair to the committee that I should make it plain what is the view of His Majesty's Government on the report of the experts on the oil embargo. The Government are prepared to accept any decision to which this Committee may come, but they must make it clear that, having considered the findings of the experts, they favour the imposition of an oil embargo by members of the League and are prepared to join in any application of such sanctions if the other principal supplying and transporting States who are members of the League of Nations are prepared to do likewise.”

GERMAN NAVAL TREATY Before his departure for Geneva the Foreign Secretary received Prince Bismarck of the German Embassy at the Foreign Office. The purpose of the visit was to convey to Mr. Eden the reply of the German Government to the proposal made to the German Ambassador on February 26, that Germany should negotiate a bilateral naval agreement with this country, embodying the results of any agreement reached at the Naval Conference. Prince Bismarck intimated that his Government were in principle ready to start negotiations for such a bilateral treaty.

WHAT IT COSTS It was announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the monthly cost of the continuance of the special naval, military and air precautions in the Mediterranean on the present scale was estimated to be about £500,000. Mr. W. S. Morrison, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who replied for the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when asked whether better use could not be made of this money, replied: “No, Sir.”—British Wireless Service.

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TAUGHT SWIMMING AT HARROW

Superintendent For Fifty Years

INSTRUCTOR OF SEVERAL FAMOUS MEN

Harrow. The death has occurred of Mr. James O'Brien Howe, aged 76, superintendent of Harrow School bathing place.

At the end of last summer term Mr. Howe completed 50 years' association with Harrow School, having been appointed instructor in swimming in 1885. To mark the occasion, Harrovians in the Houses of Parliament, including Mr. Baldwin, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. L. C. Amery, presented him with a silver salver.

After serving as swimming instructor, Mr. Howe became superintendent and caretaker of Ducker, the school bathing-place, about 35 years ago, and held the position until his death.

Mr. Churchill A Pupil He was a popular figure among old Harrovians, having taught to swim nearly all the boys who had passed through the school during the last 50 years, including those who became Bishops, Cabinet Ministers, soldiers and statesmen.

Mr. Winston Churchill was an apt pupil of his and a long friendship endured between the two. The story has often been told of how Mr. Churchill pushed Mr. Amery into Ducker when they were boys at the school together, but Mr. Howe used to hint that Mr. Churchill did not escape from such pranks.

Mountain As Memorial

Mr. Howe was a well-known water polo player and exhibition diver and swimmer, winning many trophies. It was his desire not to retire but to die in harness, and his death occurred at Ducker after a short illness.

A few years ago, to mark his

Coroner's Inquest Into Death Of Prisoner

Death from natural causes was admitted to the hospital as his verdict returned at the coroner's inquest held at the Central Magistracy into the death of Po Hon, aged 63, a prisoner, who died at the Victoria Gaol Hospital yesterday.

Mr. S. F. Balfour was the coroner and the jury was composed of Messrs. Leung Shui-ping, foreman, Lo Kwan-wa and Kacha Lam.

Dr. L. Shaw said that the deceased was admitted to gaol on July 22, last year and was not given hard labour as his condition was only fair. Since then he had often been in and out of the hospital. On February 5 he was labour.

PLANE "RACKET" ARTICLE

Libel Action By Mrs. Victor Bruce

MENTIONED IN COURT OF APPEAL

A libel action by Mrs. Mildred Mary Bruce, the airwoman, wife of the Hon. Victor Bruce, against Odhams Press Ltd., in respect of an article headed “Plane Smuggling: the New Racket,” in the People of September 8 was mentioned in the Court of Appeal last month.

Mr. Valentine Holmes, for Odhams Press, appeared in support of an appeal against an order of Mr. Justice Lewis in Chambers reversing an order by Master Baker that Mrs. Bruce should give certain particulars of her statement of claim.

He stated that the article suggested that, to avoid the embargo on the export of war planes to Abyssinia, commercial aircraft has been shipped to some neutral country, and had there been converted into bombers and fighters and then sent to Abyssinia.

It went on: Secret Storage—“This aeroplane-running was started by an enterprising young Englishwoman, who began operations during the Bolivia-Paraguay war. By means of a number of alias she bought up all the second-hand aircraft and their component parts that were on the market.”

“Her problem was to find a secret storage place for these aircraft, and ultimately she used the vaults of a disused church in the southern counties. There the machines were ready for shipment to America. In this way she was able to evade the embargo.”

In her statement of claim, continued Mr. Holmes, Mrs. Bruce alleged that the article was meant to refer to her. The defendants' application for particulars, and the order made by the Master, was that Mrs. Bruce should give particulars of the allegation that the words complained of were published of her and meant her.

Evidence Asked For Mr. St. John Field, for Mrs. Bruce, argued that the statement of claim told the defendants exactly what case they had to meet. It was evidence that the defendants were asking for. Lord Justice Greer: There are hundreds of young Englishwomen who can fly aeroplanes. And it is quite conceivable that the article might refer to no one but a young woman in the imagination of the writer.

Mr. Field: Surely that would be a strange attitude for a newspaper to take up—to allege that the article is pure invention?

Lord Justice Slesser: I don't know. Do you ever read the newspapers?

Mr. Field: Yes, certain newspapers.

The Court reserved judgment.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS

The Japanese cruiser Yubari, with Rear-Admiral Hosokawa on board, is due to leave Hong Kong to-day after a short visit here. It is understood that she is proceeding north.

The American gunboat Ashville is due to arrive in port to-morrow from Canton.

One case each of smallpox, diphtheria and enteric fever were reported to the Health authorities in the 48 hours ended on Sunday.



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OVER THE HARBOUR

Five R.A.F. machines from H.M. aircraft-carrier Hermes, were seen in an aerobatic display over the harbour this morning, making their return to port after an absence of seven months. H.M.S. Kent, Flagship of the China Squadron, is also expected back in the Colony this month from Singapore, returning via the Dutch East Indies and Manila.

Enquiries at the Mongkok Police Station this morning elicited the information that there was no further news regarding the tiger which was alleged to have been seen by several Chinese on Sunday morning.

A letter received last month at the home in Pontardawe, South Wales, of Mr. Gaston Thomas, an opera singer, who was reported missing shortly before Christmas, stated that he had been seen in London.

SOUTH SEAS BISHOP

The Bishop of Melanesia (the Right Rev. W. H. Baddeley), whose diocese is in the South Pacific, arrived recently at Tilbury with his wife, whom he married at Adelaide in November.

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EARLY BREAKDOWN PREDICTED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Cairo, To-day.

An early breakdown of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, which were opened here yesterday morning with addresses of welcome by the leaders of the two delegations, Sir Miles Lampson and Nahas Pasha, would not be a surprise to Egyptian political quarters here, who are rather pessimistic in their forecast concerning the outcome of the peace talks in spite of the apparently peaceful atmosphere which now prevails here.

While the British intend to settle all the military questions first before the discussions are extended to political matters, the Egyptians, it is said, desire to reverse that procedure since they wish to know how far Britain is willing to go in political concessions before binding themselves in military matters.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Official Opening

Cairo: The conference for the revision of Anglo-Egyptian relations was officially opened here yesterday afternoon in the Zaafaran Palace in the presence of the Premier, Ali Maher Pasha, and the leading British and Egyptian officials, when inaugural speeches were delivered by the British High Commissioner, Sir Miles Lampson, and the leader of the Egyptian delegation, Nahas Pasha. The negotiations proper will not be begun till March 9.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Conciliatory Speeches

Cairo: The conclusion of a treaty cementing the Anglo-Egyptian friendship is not only a political necessity for the two countries but a moral necessity for humanity, declared Nahas Pasha in a felicitous speech at the opening of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations at the magnificent Zaafaran Palace. Nahas Pasha added that this time they were determined to succeed. Sir Miles Lampson, replying, promised that Britain would not be found wanting in goodwill. She looked to an era of complete sovereignty in Egypt, when Britain and Egypt would appear before the world as allies and equals.—Reuters Bulletin Service.

CONFERENCE IN SYRIA

Delegation Going To Paris.

NATIONALIST REPORT ISSUED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The French High Commissioner of Syria, and a Syrian delegation which included all members of the present Syrian Cabinet as well as four representatives of the Nationalist bloc, after a conference which lasted throughout Sunday, issued a joint proclamation, "concerning the true intentions of the French Government," states a report, reaching here from Damascus.

The proclamation, after stating definitely that the Syrian delegation would shortly proceed to Paris for direct negotiations, appeals to the Syrians to show their patriotism by helping to facilitate a settlement which will realize the national aims and aspirations.

Better Prospects

Jerusalem: After seven weeks of a general strike, it now seems as though normal business life will soon be in full swing again in Damascus, Aleppo and Hama, as the result of the continued negotiations in Beirut between the French High Commissioner of Syria, M. de Martel, and the Nationalist leaders.

Regarding the Nationalists' demands for the restoration of the administrative unity of Syria, M. de Martel made a proposal for the creation of several Federal States under a central administration.

Meanwhile, in the cities where the strike is in progress, the inhabitants continue to hold demonstrations and form processions, frequently singing songs pro-

Empress Of Britain **Due Here On World Cruise**

HEAVY PASSENGER LIST

The giant liner Empress of Britain, of the Canadian Pacific, will be the first round-the-world tourist ship to visit Hong Kong this season. She is scheduled to arrive here at 6 a.m. on March 20, from New York via South Africa, Bombay, New Delhi, Agra, Fort, Colombo, Penang, Singapore and Bangkok. From here she will proceed to New York via China, Japan, the Hawaiian Islands, San Francisco, San Pedro, Los Angeles, Colon, Cristobal and Havana. The Britain sailed from New York on January 9.

The Empress of Britain, largest liner ever to cruise the world, is on her fifth visit to Hong Kong. She has on board about 350 globe-trotters. During the 180 days she is en route she will visit more than 25 ports.

The Empress of Britain was scheduled to leave Penang at 8 p.m. on February 29 for Siam, Java and Bali, arriving at the latter port at 6 a.m. on March 13. She will leave there the following evening at 6 o'clock direct for Manila.

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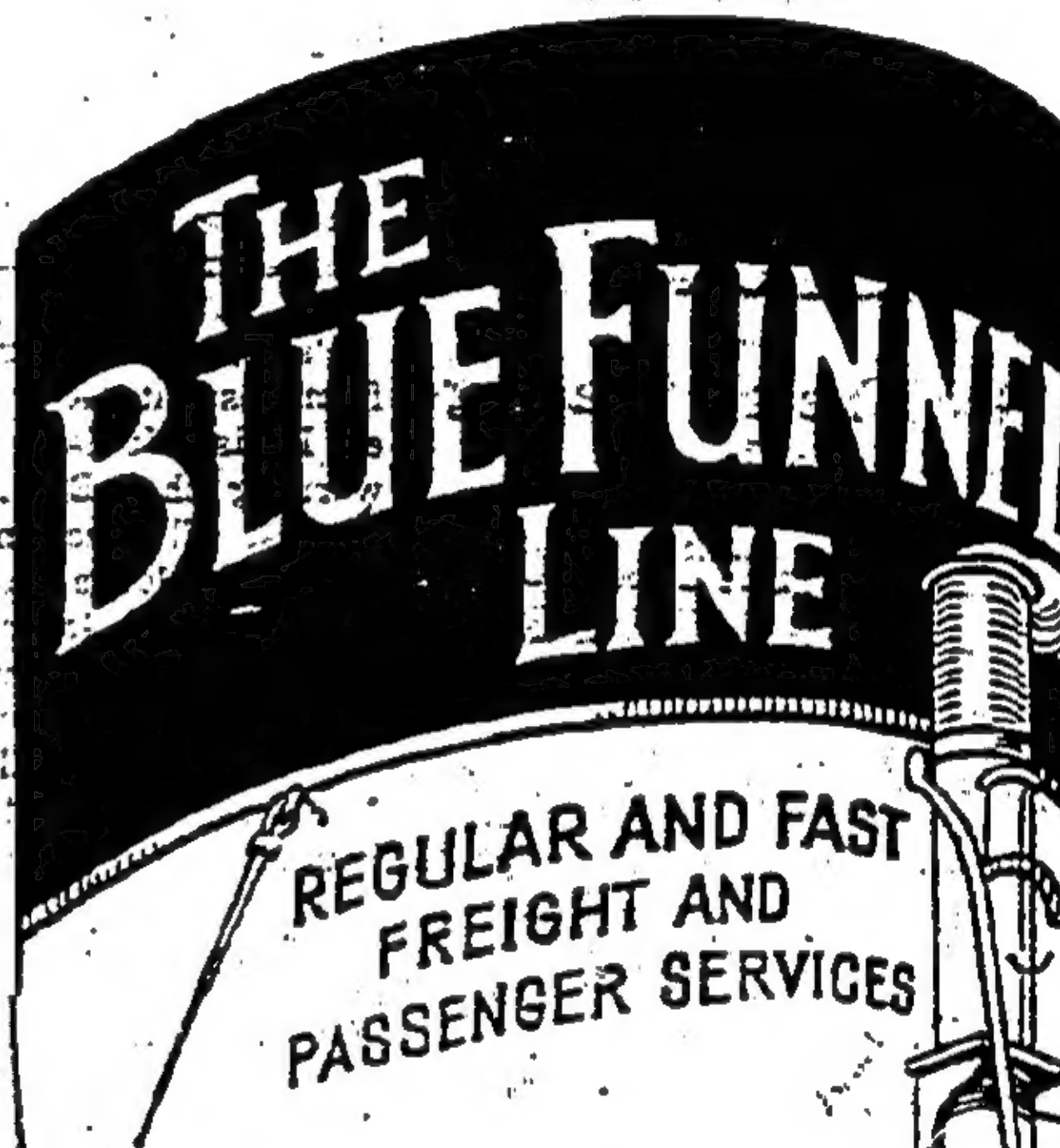
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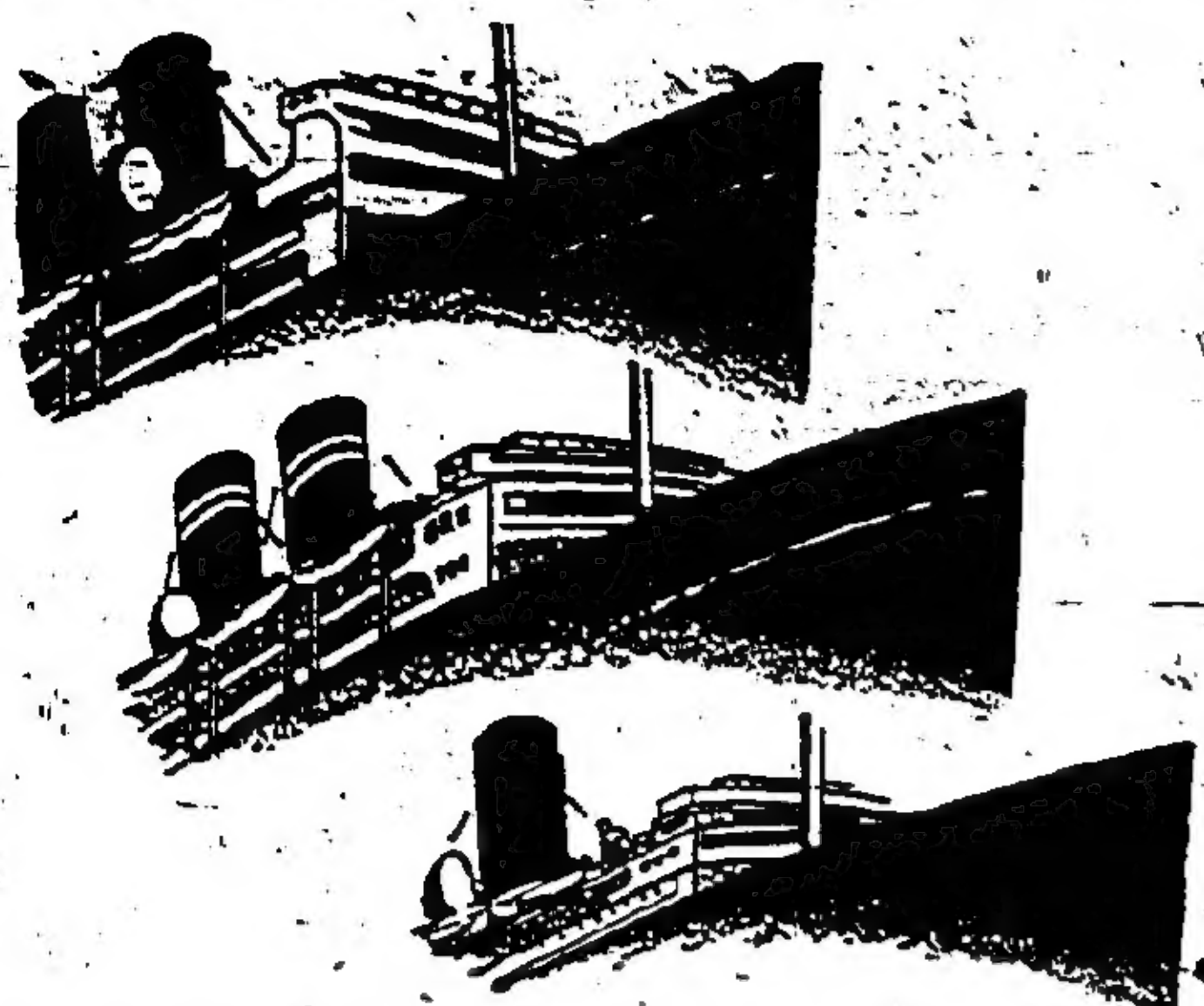
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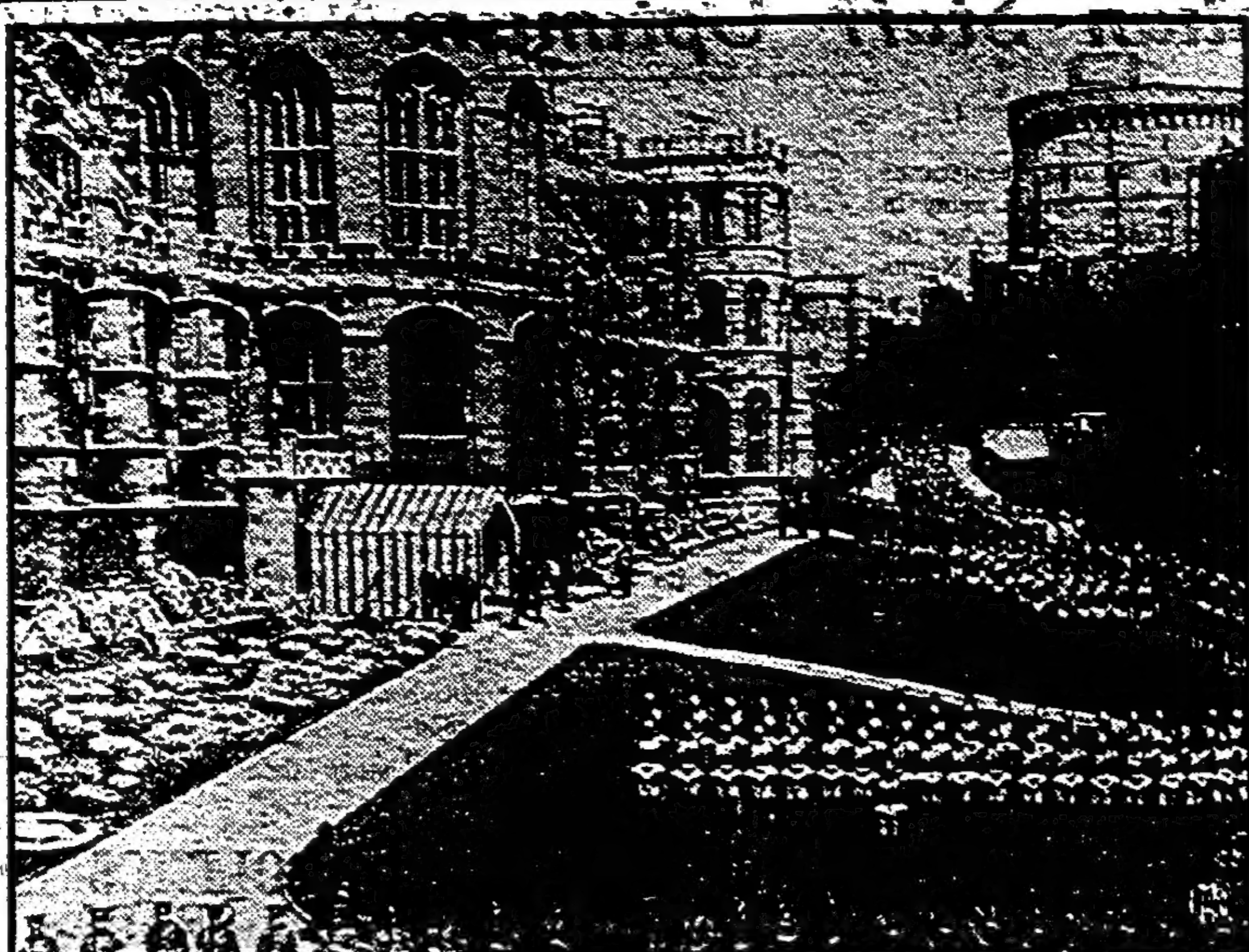
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Catch That Missing Rhythm

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In language, said the professor, were twelve rhythm divisions. From the fore-dicks of the Bushman Baroa. Through the babble of Madras Tamil to the end-stress of the South American Tupi-Namba.

The science of language was now abreast with all science. Dynamic. Driving forward. Rhythmical.

"I have discovered all twelve divisions that form the great language rhythm," ended the professor. "Except one."

"That missing rhythm," said Larry.

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And he had looked everywhere, the professor said. Ten years.

"All sides of this world," said Larry.

The professor nodded.

"When I heard you tapping that drum," he said, "I thought you'd got it. But there was something missing. And that rhythm is basic—so necessary, I am certain that language is spoken to-day. Somewhere. But where?"

"You?"

"The first ones. My granpappy knew something until he got religion."

Larry moved his heel on the brass footrail. He palm fell hesitant against the bar.

Under grey-black lids, small black eyes swung round. The Cuban watched them.

Larry again let his palm fall. Hesitant.

The Cuban drank in one toss. He came towards them.

"You gentlemen care to have a drink?" he asked.

"Larry Greenaway."

"Rafael del Monte," replied the Cuban. "Pleased to meet you."

Larry grinned. The Cuban watched. Impassive.

"Meet the professor," said Larry. "Pleased," said the Cuban.

"The professor," said Larry, "is vastly interested in languages."

"Most interesting subject," agreed the Cuban.

They waited for their drinks. The professor did not want his and agreed.

"You ever hear of the rhythm of life, Mister del Monte?" asked Larry.

"I don't never hear of it," said the Cuban.

"Professor," said Larry. "You tell Mister del Monte here of the rhythm. Just like to me."

The professor took a deep breath and spoke. He told the Cuban of the great rhythm of life. Rises and falls of cosmic structures. Periodicities of planets and comets and stars. The undulating cycle of soil micro-organisms. The eyelids of the Cuban opened. His face was creased, not waxen now. He was interested.

"Another drink," said Larry.

The professor told of the whole rhythmic scheme of things. And the rhythm of languages.

"But," said the professor, "there is one rhythm missing."

"The missing rhythm," said Larry.

"La gran sietel!" exclaimed the Cuban.

"Sure, that's right," Larry said.

"Another drink?"

The professor took his. "It's the mightiest pity ever!" said the Cuban.

"All that's missing," said Larry, "is one language."

The Cuban was silent. Suddenly

impassive.

blackness of protruding lips. Negro. He thought, but not negro.

"Damn Cuban nigger," whispered Larry. "But you—watch his wrist."

Three strands of black, red and green cord were bound round the Cuban's left wrist. Four red shapeless stones hung on the braid. There swung between a yellowed claw.

The Cuban looked neither left nor right. He stared at his drink. Larry edged up.

"Voodoo man," he whispered. "Never hear of the Lion Society?"

The professor remembered. He learned it in Havana. Africa's oldest secret society, they told him. And the Lions had come, esoteric, exclusive, with the negro slaves to the American Indies.

The Lions spoke a secret language. Not old—ageless.

"Yes!"

They watched the Cuban. "You won't get him to speak," said the professor.

"I got passes," Larry grunted.

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"We was wondering," said Larry, "if you never heard of a missing language?"

"I don't never hear of it." The Cuban was cold.

"It's a mighty old language," Larry seemed to be speaking to himself. "My old granpappy told me it's the language that was talked before Babel's tower."

The Cuban said nothing. Larry talked on.

"The very first language of this old world," he said. "My granpappy told me nobody never spoke it present days. Leastways, hardly nobody. But my granpappy done spoke it. And we's a long way from mountains and forests and jungles. And lions."

"We's a long way from Cuba, Mister del Monte," said Larry.

The Cuban grunted.

"There ain't no desire to hear it explicated," said Larry. "No translations. Just the sounds like 'Good morning, and, good afternoon.' So's the professor gets his missing rhythm."

"Think of the benefit to mankind!" said the professor.

"Bueno!" the Cuban said. He stepped back a little.

The cadence of the words patterned and staggered like the steps of a man learning to walk again. But walking on a definite way. It faltered, it hobbled, it limped.

The Cuban stopped talking. He looked at Larry and the professor. Without anger. He turned and left the bar.

Larry looked foolish.

"Why," he said, "that's only—"

"Yes," said the professor. "It's the same rhythm you were playing on the drum when I met you."

"I must've got it from my granpappy," said Larry. "I must've learned and not learned. Without listening."

"Subconscious mentation," said the professor.

"Something or another."

They walked out.

"Well, sir!" Larry said. "Looks like we ain't going to find that missing rhythm to-day!"

The professor did not seem to mind. He leaned against the wall. "Language rhythm," he said.

"Yes, I feel queer."

"Those bears weren't no good," Larry agreed. "I'll go get a taxi."

Tantalizing rhythm. Staggering. But a language rhythm. Must exist, to-day too. The professor looked up at the noise.

A group of men argued on the pavement opposite. They shook their fists. The professor saw them like shadows on a white wall. Blurred, foreign. And rhythmic.

"Language rhythm," said the professor.

He stepped off the pavement and into the taxi as it cruised round the corner.

"Lawdy!" said Larry, with the professor in his arms. The taxi went to the hospital. "I hope this ain't no dead man's rhythm."

"Drop too much," said the taxi-driver.

The nurse thought so too.

"Only a few bruises," she said. "The professor, mouthed at the sal volatile. Larry sat with him on a bench in the hall.

"Better?"

"Disappointed," the professor said. "After hearing the Lion language. A basic rhythm must exist."

He sat up straight.

"You hear anything?" he asked.

Larry heard nothing.

"Then's noises in your head," he said.

"There's a rhythm—haunting me," the professor answered. He

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walked up the corridor. Larry followed. They went through a door.

And it took the porter some to persuade the nurse that they had not left the hospital.

"You couldn't mistake that pair," the porter said.

The nurse who was searching for them was annoyed. Very annoyed. But now she was astonished. Amazed as she looked at Larry and the professor.

Larry was kneeling between the cots, tapping with his knuckles. The professor stood by with a worried probationer. An amused audience checked around.

Larry waved aside the probationer's protests.

"Yes, sir, professor!" he said. "We was too young to remember."

You never met them much. I never looked that way. But this is sure the missing rhythm."

The professor said children were learning to speak before the Tower of Babel was raised. And when the single world language scattered that did not change.

"The children's language did not change," the professor said. "It is the same. The basic rhythm of the children's way."

"Sure," Larry said. "What I missed is that you got to keep on halting in the tapping. That's because of children always drawing deep breaths."

Larry cracked his knuckles on the floor.

It began, anxious, determined. A weary roll. It paused to breathe, then pattered and stumbled like the steps of a child learning to walk. But walking on a definite way. It paused in the air, then quickened. Sharp glad hops. It was the rhythm of the children's

The children will miss him most, for, closeted with Ministers, he cannot be as tangible and as thrilling a figure to them as he was when he walked the world more or less a free man. We are stunned by the changes which are forced upon us in this time of anxiety and distress. In our bewilderment we do not yet fully realise that the Accession of a new King leaves us with such a strange and unwelcome gap in the gallery of our leaders.

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Italian Staff Optimism

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of putting up serious resistance in the north. Ras Imru's army in Takaze and the army under the personal command of the Negus near Dessie.

The Italian Staff does not expect Ras Imru to offer any serious resistance, so that everything leads to a decisive encounter with the Negus himself.

RUMOURS DENIED

Addis Ababa: The reports that Ras Kassa has committed suicide are officially denied here, it being pointed out that at the time the Abyssinian commander was supposed to be dead, he was in telegraphic communication with the capital. No definite news has been published as to the battle of Amba Alagi, though persistent rumours are current as to heavy fighting there.—Trans-Ocean Service.

FRESH ANXIETY

Addis Ababa: There has been no communication between Dessie and Addis Ababa for the last two days, which has given rise to anxiety among the people. It is understood, however, that Dessie being the headquarters of the Emperor, wireless messages have not been sent from there owing to the fear that Italian planes would pick up the messages and locate the whereabouts of the Emperor.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

Italian Officers Desert

TOGETHER WITH 4,000 ERITREANS

Addis Ababa, earlier: Although the reports of the victory in the Tembien district have been known here for some time, the authorities still refuse to give any information as to the situation on the northern front.

The inhabitants of the capital therefore, still unaware of Ras Kassa's defeat, jubilantly welcomed the four Italian officers of the Eritrean army who deserted and were brought to Addis Ababa by plane. The leader of the deserters, General Saitai, is said to have declared that several thousand Eritreans with the four officers ran over to the Abyssinians to fight against the Italians.

10,000 DEAD

Asmara: The Abyssinians lost more than 10,000 dead in the battle in the Tembien district, according to the latest report received here. It is added that the dead bodies of the fallen foes were burnt in great piles.

The Italian officers who commanded the troops engaged in the action all agreed that the Abyssinian offered heroic resistance, and retired only step by step. An Abyssinian detachment, including several regiments of the Imperial Guards, who were attacked by two Italian bombing squadrons 50 kilometers south of Quorom while on their way to the northern front, suffered exceedingly heavy losses, according to another message.

Italian aviators returning from scouring flights confirm that the forces of Ras Kassa were practically annihilated. According to the Italians, it is highly probable that the Negus himself was with the routed army at the time of its defeat.

THE TRAITOR CELEBRATES

Asmara: The extent of the Italian victory in the Tembien district was largely due to information received from native soldiers as to the Abyssinian positions and intentions.

The news of the Italian victory was received jubilantly not only in Asmara, but also in Adowa and in Makale, which is the place of residence of the Negus's former son-in-law, Ras Gugsa. Ras Gugsa, who it is said, still feared that the Abyssinians might eventually defeat the Italian army on the southern front, staged a big celebration immediately after hearing of the Italian victory, his joy being augmented by the fact that the commanders of the routed Abyssinian forces included some of his own personal enemies.

Italian headquarters are confident that the battle in the Tembien region will have a decisive influence on the outcome of the Abyssinian campaign, and some military observers go so far as to declare that the military operations on the northern front will be ended within the next few days.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Italian Policy In Europe

Milan: "The League of Nations is now at the parting of the ways," writes the *Popolo d'Italia* in an article regarding the view generally prevailing in Italy that any intensification of the sanctions would bring about a radical change in the Italian policy in Europe. Italy, so the papers states, expect the League to be conscious of its responsibilities.

RAS KASSA'S FATE

Rome: It is stated that the Abyssinian commander Ras Kassa committed suicide after succeeding in making good his escape from the forced marches of the encompassing Italian troops, according to despatches received here, which, however, are unconfirmed. The despatches add that the suicide was motivated by the Commander's determination not to survive the annihilation of his army, which was one of the best that the Abyssinian Emperor put into the field.

It is further reported that those detachments of Ras Kassa's army which succeeded in breaking through the Italian ranks and made a headlong flight through the valleys of Tembien, in the direction of the Takaze River, were mercilessly pursued by Italian planes, which continuously created wider and ever larger gaps in their ranks.

CONFUSION CAUSED

Milan: The strength of Ras Kassa's annihilated army is estimated to have been upwards of 40,000 by the *Gazzetta del Popolo's* military correspondent, Colonel Romano, who writes that the recent Italian victory at Enderta has apparently caused such confusion in the Abyssinian headquarters that the latter were not able to draw up a new plan of action in time.

SANCTIONS POSSIBILITIES

Geneva: League circles reckon with possibilities of the sanctions being intensified to some extent as a result of the deliberations of the Committee of Eighteen, which were scheduled to begin here yesterday afternoon and in which the French Premier, M. Flaminio, will take part. The belief, however, prevails here in well-informed quarters that it will prove impossible to fix the date for putting the oil embargo into force in view of the American attitude.

Paris: Several papers, including the *Petit Parisien*, *l'Oeuvre* and *Figaro*, believe that the sanctions will not furnish the main theme in the forthcoming Geneva negotiations for discussion. Political circles here expect to examine the problem of the Franco-German relations under all its aspects, especially in light of Herr Hitler's recent interview. One paper thinks that the possibility of the eventual protest against the Franco-Russian Pact will also be examined by the French and British Foreign Ministers.—Trans-Ocean Service.

KING'S PLEA FOR PEACE

Greek Speech From Throne

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Athens, To-day.
In the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the Greek Parliament, King George said that Greece enjoyed excellent relations with the foreign Powers, and that her policy would be to observe faithfully the existing pacts and treaties, especially the Balkan Pact.

The King concluded by appealing to the patriotism of the Deputies, calling on them to give their wholehearted co-operation, in order that peace and order may be restored throughout the kingdom.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MR. HIROTA'S 3 POINTS

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These terms mean the formal cessation of Manchuria and Jehol to Japan and the conversion of China into a protectorate of that country, in the opinion of the Kuomintang leaders here.

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APPEAL TO HOME SECRETARY

F.A. Seeks Official Measures

London, To-day.
The Football Association, in a letter to the Home Secretary, in view of the Bill which is shortly coming up in the House of Commons regarding pools betting, urges him and the Government to effect immediate legislation to eliminate pools betting on football.

A meeting of the League clubs decided by 26 votes to nil, with 10 abstentions, to ask the League Management Committee for the immediate restoration of the original fixtures and also to restore the original fixtures for next Saturday.—Reuter.

POLITICS IN SPAIN

FINAL RESULTS OF ELECTION

London, To-day.
As the result of the second ballot, which was necessary in some constituencies, it is expected that the Right Wing will gain 14 and the Left Wing 10 seats in the Cortes.—Orans-Ocean Service.

Madrid: Catalonia has regained her independence after 18 months under the rule of a Government of the Right Party. The President and Ministers of Catalonia have been released from prison under the amnesty decree and received a tumultuous welcome on arrival at Barcelona.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

RUXTON MURDER TRIAL

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which one copy was delivered to the accused's house.

Counsel described how portions of the bodies were found with telltale parts cut away. The straw on the staircase was most significant, because straw was used to pack the bodies found in the ravine.

Mr. Jackson spoke for four hours to a packed court, in which the men and women were separated. A special gallery was reserved for women.—Reuter.

NOT GUILTY PLEA

An earlier message said that, contrary to expectation, the only indictment to which Dr. Buck Ruxton, (the medical man who was accused at the police court hearing of killing and dismembering two women, his wife, and a nursemaid) was called to plead yesterday at his trial at the Manchester Assizes concerned his wife Isabella.

The accused pleaded not guilty. The greater part of the day's proceedings, over which Mr. Justice Singleton presided, was taken up with the opening speech of Mr. Jackson, K.C., who is leading for the Crown, supported by Mr. Maxwell-Fyfe, K.C., and a junior counsel.

The Crown stated that Ruxton came from India and went to Edinburgh in 1923 to study medicine. His name then was Gabriel Hakim. Later he altered it by deed poll to Buck Ruxton.

"FOOLISH JEALOUSY"

Ruxton's wife, Isabella Kerr, aged 34, was manageress of a cafe when Ruxton met her in 1923. She was married to a Dutchman named van Est, but it seemed that they only lived together a few weeks.

Counsel suggested that Ruxton murdered his wife cause of foolish jealousy, and the nursemaid, Mary Rogerson, was killed because she caught accused in the act.

Intense public interest was being taken in the case, which was expected to last a fortnight.

The jury were all men. Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., was the leading counsel for the accused.

Nanking in the next few days, the Kuomintang veterans here will send a further enquiry concerning this point. Delay in satisfying Canton is taken to mean that Mr. Hirota's principles may have been agreed to by the Nanking Government.

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